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CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL, S.W.

BATTERSEA  
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1902-1903.

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## REPORT.

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THE Library Committee submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1903.

The number of registered borrowers is 16,826, of whom 11,175 are enrolled at the Central Library, 3,357 at Lurline Gardens, and 2,294 at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is 51,624, of which 13,997 are in the Reference Department, and 20,477 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 8,812 at Lurline Gardens, and 8,338 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 997 volumes, 311 of these having been presented and 686 purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was 409,525, of which 30,876 were given out in the Reference Department, and 232,187 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 90,571 at Lurline Gardens, and 55,891 at Lammas Hall. This statement takes no account of many books on the open shelves consulted by readers in the Reference Library. The total issues in the previous year were 405,971.

The question of ways and means has occupied the attention of the Committee to an unusual extent during the past year, and the growing difficulty of adequately administering the libraries of the Borough with the amount produced by the present limited rate has compelled them to make representations on the subject to the Borough Council, who requested the Committee to submit particulars of their additional requirements. In complying with this request the Committee stated that the following objects were found to be of the most pressing importance:—

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1. A new Branch Library in Winstanley Ward.
2. A new Branch Library in Broomwood Ward.
3. A new Branch Library in Nine Elms Ward.
4. A Reading Room and Books for the Blind.
5. Free Lectures.
6. Larger purchases of new books.
7. Additional Reading Rooms for Children in Schools.
8. An improved scale of salaries for the staff.

The increased annual expenditure which would thus be involved was estimated at £4,000, the amount of a penny rate, made up as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Annual charges on new loans (£9,700)...	590	0	0
Working expenses of three new Branches	2,210	0	0
Five Reading Rooms for Children in Schools ... ..	250	0	0
Free Lectures (two courses annually) ...	100	0	0
Increased purchases of new Books ...	500	0	0
Improved scale of Salaries ... ..	350	0	0
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	£4,000	0	0
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In submitting these figures, the Committee recommended that steps be taken to remove the statutory limit to the library rate, if necessary, by a local bill to be promoted by the Borough Council, but finding that a public general measure was to be brought before Parliament by the Library Association during the present Session, it was decided to await the result of that movement and to give it all possible support. In the meantime an offer was received (1st August, 1902,) from Mr. Andrew Carnegie of £15,000 for the erection of the three new branches upon the conditions usually imposed by him, viz. :—that sites should be provided and future maintenance of the libraries guaranteed by the Library Authority. The Council accepted this offer, for which they were indebted to the good offices of Councillor Ramsey, at that time Chairman of the Library Committee, but it will be impossible for them to take advantage of it until they are enabled by means of an increased rate to comply with Mr. Carnegie's conditions.

In the last Report, the adoption by the Council of the Museums and Gymnasiums Act, 1891, was recorded, and the hope was expressed that during the year just concluded operations under the Act would be commenced. Further progress in this direction has, however, been prevented by the decision of the Council not to levy a rate under this Act at present, but in the meantime inquiries have been made for suitable sites in the Winstanley Ward and elsewhere. Several good positions have been brought to the notice of the Committee and provisional negotiations have been opened with a view to the erection of one or more buildings which could be used for various purposes, either as Museums and Gymnasiums or for one or both of these purposes combined with Baths and Reading Rooms. The Baths and Wash-houses Committee have expressed their willingness to co-operate with the Library Committee in the erection of one such joint building if an appropriate site can be found, and there is little doubt that, if once the approval of the Council be given, rapid progress will soon be made with the provision of such accommodation in those parts of the Borough where it would be most serviceable.

The University Extension Lectures have been continued during the Session of 1902-3, the expenses being defrayed out of the Library Rate. Whether these charges will receive the sanction of the District Auditor remains to be seen, but, as stated in the last Report, he has already decided that they cannot be legally borne by the General Rate. The subjects of the Lectures have in this Session been selected from the domain of science, not because literature and history were found unattractive, but because it was thought desirable not to restrict the work to a single field. The results have fully justified the action of the Committee, for not only have the attendances increased, but they have been evidently augmented by drawing upon classes of persons who had not been attracted to the previous courses. The Lecturer in both terms was Mr. Frederick Womack, M.B., B.Sc., his subjects being "Astronomy: the Earth and its Luminaries," and "Modern Applications of Electricity."

The popularity of the Reading Rooms and Lending Libraries for Children is well maintained. The attendance in the former continues to increase, and the number of juvenile borrowers enrolled in the latter is now 3,011. The number of volumes issued for home reading during the period under review was 71,834, as compared with 64,225 in the preceding year.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, &c., are appended.

W. RINES, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

*May 4th, 1903.*



# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	...	...	...	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	...	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1902	...	13503
„ „ added 1902-1903	... ..	495
„ „ transferred to Lending Department		1
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1903	...	13997
„ „ issued 1902-1903	... ..	30876
Daily average...	... ..	86
Number of Volumes bound	... ..	330

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1902	...	20179
„ „ added 1902-1903	... ..	369
„ „ worn out and not replaced	... ..	71
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1903	...	20477
„ „ issued 1902-1903	... ..	232187
Daily average...	... ..	776
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	63046
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1902	...	4937
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1903	...	9223
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	1952
„ Students' Tickets issued	... ..	607
„ Volumes bound	... ..	1641
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	857
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	31
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		156



CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1902-1903.

		1902.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1903.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	802	5	—	807
„ B	Sociology ... ..	665	43	—	708
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	1766	14	1	1779
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	3367	68	—	3435
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	440	2	—	442
„ F	Encyclopædias, Diction- aries, &c. ... ..	1654	44	—	1698
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	4809	319	—	5128
	Totals ... ..	13503	495	1	13997

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1902-1903.

		1902.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1903.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	995	27	1	1021
„ B	Sociology ... ..	798	23	—	821
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	2068	56	1	2123
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	5369	111	2	5478
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	693	12	—	705
„ F	Prose Fiction ... ..	6388	69	62	6395
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	2203	21	2	2222
„ H	Magazines ... ..	519	23	—	542
„ J	Juvenile Literature ...	1146	27	3	1170
	Totals ... ..	20179	369	71	20477

TABLE  
SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1902, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1903.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1902.										
April ...	111	117	652	645	66	371	746	2708	30	90
May ...	76	91	496	524	136	437	794	2554	31	82
June ...	156	90	451	418	57	404	565	2141	30	71
July ...	127	90	386	361	71	332	689	2056	24	85
August ...	159	84	463	448	121	426	864	2565	31	82
September	175	89	609	452	93	405	968	2791	30	93
October ...	161	130	511	397	92	465	911	2667	31	86
November	241	160	457	316	69	420	950	2613	30	87
December	214	144	496	279	115	373	818	2439	30	81
1903.										
January ...	156	137	589	270	93	532	1206	2983	31	96
February ...	194	131	630	296	136	452	956	2795	28	99
March ...	233	98	524	281	135	460	833	2564	31	82
Totals...	2003	1361	6264	4687	1184	5077	10300	30876	357	86

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1902-1903.

Total issue (April 1st, 1902, to March 31st, 1903)	...	...	1679
Sundays open ...	...	...	51
Average Sunday issue	...	...	32

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1902, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1903.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1902.												
April ...	201	120	1161	1140	237	13306	689	227	4444	21525	26	827
May ...	206	139	1183	1032	224	12432	653	200	3948	20017	26	769
June ...	120	92	716	645	136	8338	389	153	2765	13354	22	607
July ...	123	81	774	669	156	8356	442	171	2498	13270	21	631
August ...	153	113	1044	904	147	11301	540	223	3556	17981	25	719
September	178	157	1184	1048	219	12315	687	252	3607	19647	26	755
October ...	266	165	1401	1161	258	13422	754	290	4374	22091	27	818
November...	282	161	1487	1349	216	13189	711	300	4190	21885	25	875
December...	197	118	1333	1258	186	11733	683	281	3917	19706	24	821
1903.												
January ...	243	154	1559	1398	202	14020	791	392	4084	22843	27	846
February ...	242	153	1332	1270	254	12293	655	310	3160	19669	24	819
March ...	243	132	1348	1248	232	12814	667	298	3217	20199	26	776
Totals ...	2454	1585	14522	13122	2467	143519	7661	3097	43760	232187	299	776

## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on March 31st, 1902	...	8771
„ „ added 1902-1903	... ..	80
„ „ worn out and not replaced	... ..	39
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1903	...	8812
„ „ issued 1902-1903	... ..	90571
Daily average	... ..	302
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	16981
„ „ „ „ March 31st, 1902	...	2163
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1903	...	2747
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	610
„ Students' Tickets issued...	... ..	108
„ Volumes bound	... ..	418
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	201
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	9
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department...		33

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1902-1903.

	1902.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1903.
Class A Religion and Philosophy...	283	17	—	300
„ B Sociology ... ..	272	8	—	280
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	631	3	—	634
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	1966	10	1	1975
„ E Poetry and the Drama ...	321	2	—	323
„ F Prose Fiction ... ..	3664	13	33	3644
„ G Miscellaneous Literature...	803	6	—	809
„ H Magazines ... ..	96	9	—	105
„ J Juvenile Literature ...	735	12	5	742
Totals ... ..	8771	80	39	8812

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE  
GARDENS FROM APRIL 1ST, 1902, TO MARCH 31ST, 1903.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1902.												
April ...	39	27	295	473	67	5898	173	—	1765	8737	26	336
May ...	37	28	283	441	53	5749	220	—	1624	8435	26	324
June ...	24	38	183	242	43	3897	113	—	1192	5732	22	260
July ...	21	18	221	253	59	3877	120	—	1056	5625	21	268
August ...	20	21	238	288	59	5021	112	—	1337	7096	25	283
September	36	37	299	340	63	5463	134	—	1280	7652	26	294
October ...	30	34	320	379	52	5604	152	—	1345	7916	27	293
November...	48	38	308	418	60	5747	142	—	1377	8138	25	325
December...	17	25	250	335	45	5027	135	—	1375	7209	24	300
1903.												
January ...	35	24	311	415	56	5962	138	—	1603	8544	27	316
February ...	56	29	296	441	72	5407	133	—	1213	7647	24	318
March ...	63	24	318	357	84	5692	144	—	1158	7840	26	301
Totals.	426	343	3322	4382	713	63344	1716	—	16325	90571	299	302



## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1902	...	8323
„ „ added 1902-1903	... ..	53
„ „ worn out and not replaced	... ..	38
„ „ in Stock March 31st, 1903	...	8338
„ „ issued 1902-1903	... ..	55891
Daily average	... ..	186
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	15845
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1902	...	1017
„ „ on March 31st, 1903	... ..	1845
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	449
„ Students' Tickets issued...	... ..	42
„ Volumes bound	... ..	335
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	194
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	4
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		27

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1902-1903.

	1902.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1903.
Class A Religion and Philosophy...	442	17	—	459
„ B Sociology ... ..	280	2	—	282
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	586	3	—	589
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	1504	6	—	1510
„ E Poetry and the Drama ...	288	1	—	289
„ F Prose Fiction ... ..	3853	10	38	3825
„ G Miscellaneous Literature...	613	3	—	616
„ H Magazines ... ..	3	—	—	3
„ J Juvenile Literature ...	754	11	—	765
Totals ... ..	8323	53	38	8338



## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1902, TO MARCH 31ST, 1903.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1902.												
April ...	35	11	121	180	48	3745	76	1	1213	5430	26	208
May ...	21	6	112	139	47	3615	55	1	1176	5172	26	198
June ...	13	5	69	113	17	2479	32	—	861	3589	22	163
July ...	16	7	63	138	18	2229	49	—	769	3289	21	156
August ...	20	13	90	146	24	3111	54	—	837	4295	25	171
September	30	15	105	218	33	3437	62	1	1013	4914	26	189
October ...	36	13	114	213	49	3496	84	—	1062	5067	27	187
November	42	18	100	200	46	3645	69	—	1096	5216	25	208
December	45	12	76	116	48	3238	45	1	1109	4690	24	195
1903.												
January ...	38	24	125	208	47	3607	73	—	1069	5191	27	192
February ...	36	18	118	154	31	3187	66	—	755	4365	24	181
March ...	28	9	134	168	52	3420	73	—	789	4673	26	179
Totals ...	360	151	1227	1993	460	39209	738	4	11749	55891	299	186

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &amp;c.

—o—			Vols.	Pamph- lets.
HIS MAJESTY THE KING	...	...	1	
Accountants and Auditors, Society of.	Three periodicals	monthly	3	
Adams, Capt. W. A., c/o Messrs. T. Fisher Unwin,	...	...	1	
Paternoster Square, E.C.	...	...		
Andrew, Arthur, 64 Marney Road, Clapham Common.	Three periodicals monthly	...		
Anonymous	...	...	2	
Anonymous, per F. J. Burgoyne, Esq., Tate Library	...	...	2	
Brixton Oval	...	...		
Ayling, G. I., 30 Linda Street, Battersea.	One periodical	monthly		
Barnes, George, 41 Mantilla Road, Tooting.	Twenty-two	volumes, in parts		
Battersea Borough Council (and Minutes of Proceedings	as issued)	...	9	
Minutes of Proceedings of the London County Council	as issued	...		
Six periodicals monthly	...	...		
Baxter, Dudley, Copford, Colchester.	One periodical	weekly		
Benson, Messrs. J. W., 62 & 64 Ludgate Hill, E.C.	...	...		
Blackstone, Mrs., 35 Leathwaite Road, Clapham Common.	One periodical weekly	...		
Booth, W. B., 101 Queen Victoria Street, E.C.	Three	periodicals monthly		
Borley, G. W., 24 Victoria Road, Clapham Common.	Two periodicals monthly	...		
British Horological Institute, Northampton Square, E.C.	Three periodicals monthly	...		
British Museum, Trustees of	...	...	12	
Brown, E., 97 Gipsy Hill, S.E.	...	...	1	
Burns, Rev. Dawson, D:D., 12 Foxmore Street, Battersea	...	...	1	
Park	...	...		
Burns, John, L.C.C., M.P., 108 Lavender Hill, S.W.	...	...	66	
Parliamentary Publications	...	...		
Bill, Petition, and Evidence presented to Parliament,	relating to Latchmere Allotments	...		
A Coloured Print	...	...		
Chicago Municipal Library, and Bureau of Statistics.	One periodical quarterly	...		
City and Guilds of London Institute	...	...	2	
Claridge, Thos. W., 10 St. Ann's Road, Wandsworth.	Portfolio containing about 500 prints and engravings re-	lating to Battersea and surrounding districts; bequeathed		
by the late Mr. C. Brown, of 119 St. John's Hill, S.W.	...	...		
Clarke, Rev. Canon Erskine, St. Luke's Vicarage,	Ramsden Road, Balham	...	74	5
Clarke, Son, and Platt, Messrs., 85 Gracechurch Street,	E.C.	Two periodicals weekly		
Clerks of Works Association of Great Britain.	Three	periodicals monthly		
Colonia Cosme, Paraguay, The Secretary of.	One	periodical monthly...		
Commissioner of Education, U.S.A.	...	...	2	
Corporation of the City of London	...	...	4	
Doncaster, Miss P., 26 Earlsfield Road, Wandsworth.	Three periodicals monthly	...		

	Vols.	Pamph- lets,
Edwards, J. Passmore, 51 Bedford Square, W.C. ...	I	
Emigrants' Information Office. Circulars quarterly ...	I	
E. P. B., c/o P. Wellby, 6 Henrietta Street, Covent Garden, W.C. ... ..	I	
Fisher, F. H., 38 Shelgate Road, New Wandsworth ...	3	
Flewett, J. C., 24 Lavender Gardens, Clapham Common ...	I	
Gilbert, James, 35 Kersley Street, Battersea Park ...	3	
Grubb, W. G., 46 Parma Crescent, Battersea. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Hampton, W., 17 Farringdon Street, E.C. ...	I	
Hollingsworth, J., 29 Church Road, Battersea. Three periodicals weekly ... ..		
"Home Words," Publishing Office, 11 Ludgate Square, E.C. ... ..	I	
Howard Memorial Library, New Orleans, U.S.A. ...	I	
Hudson, H. K., 4 York Mansions, Battersea Park ...	12	
India, Rt. Hon. the Secretary of State for, India Office, St. James's Park, S.W. ... ..	I	
Kelly, W. P., c/o Messrs. Downing & Co., 12 York Street, Covent Garden, W.C. ... ..	I	
Kendal Public Library ... ..	I	
King's College, London. One periodical weekly ...		
Ladies' League, 6 Grosvenor Mansions, Victoria Street, S.W. Three periodicals monthly ... ..		
Layton, Messrs. C. & E., 56 Farringdon Street, E.C. ...	2	
Leeds Institute of Science, Art, and Literature ...	I	
Lilly, Miss, Victor House, Bromfelde Road, Clapham. Two periodicals monthly ... ..		
Lomas, Mrs. A. 93 Lavender Sweep, Battersea ...	10	
London Auxiliary of the United Kingdom Alliance. Three periodicals weekly ... ..		
London County Council (Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Cash Papers as issued) ... ..	3	
London Directory Co., Ltd., 25 Abchurch Lane, E.C. ...	I	
Lord's Day Observance Society, 20 Bedford Street, W.C. ...	I	
Lucas, L. A., Woolston House, Egham, Surrey ...	3	
Lyell, Lady, 48 Eaton Place, S.W. ... ..		I
Macdonald, Messrs. W. & Co., 72 Leadenhall Street, E.C. ...	2	
McManus, Dr. L. S., Westwood House, St. John's Hill, Battersea. Two periodicals weekly. ... ..		
Mansion House Committee, King's Dinner Fund ...	I	
Mather and Crowther, Messrs., 10-12 New Bridge Street, E.C. ... ..	2	
Minister of Agriculture, Ottawa, D.C. ... ..	I	
Morgan, Mrs., 25 Octavia Street, Battersea. Two periodicals weekly ... ..		
Musicians, Incorporated Society of. Three periodicals monthly ... ..	3	
National Association for the Prevention of Consumption. One periodical quarterly ... ..		
National Deposit Friendly Society. Two periodicals monthly ... ..		
National Home-Reading Union, Surrey House, Victoria Embankment, W.C. Three periodicals monthly ...		
National Reform Union, Manchester ... ..	6	
National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Three periodicals monthly ... ..		
Navy League, 13 Victoria Street, S.W. Three periodicals monthly ... ..		
New Zealand, Agent-General for, 13 Victoria Street, S.W. ...	8	
Northern Heights Footpath Committee ... ..	I	



	Vols.	Pamph-lets
Palmer, H., 8 Tyneham Road, Battersea. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Patent Office, 25 Southampton Buildings, W.C. Journals as published ... ..		
Paton, Messrs. J. J., 143 Cannon Street, E.C. ... ..	I	
Pearse, Thomas, 30 Colestown Street, Battersea ... ..	I	
Portsmouth Public Library ... ..		I
Proctor, H., 146 Mallinson Road, Wandsworth Common. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Queen's College, 43-45 Harley Street, W. ... ..	I	
Queensland, Agent-General for, 1 Victoria Street, S.W. ... ..	2	
Railway Servants, Amalgamated Society of ... ..	I	
Rationalist Press Association, Ltd., 17 Johnson's Court, E.C. ... ..	47	
Rationalist Press Association, A Member of ... ..	6	
Rines, William, 39 Ingelow Road, Battersea ... ..	I	
School Board for London (Minutes of Proceedings as issued) ... ..	5	
Shipping, Registrar-General of. Quarterly Official List of Deceased Seamen ... ..		
Simon, J. A., 90 York Mansions, Battersea Park. (Also bundle of odd periodicals) ... ..	32	
Slow, J. W., 4 Frere Street, Battersea. Map of Surrey ... ..		
Smith, A., 60 Landseer Street, Battersea. Three periodicals monthly ... ..		
Smith, G. A., 30 Ingate Terrace, Queen's Road, Battersea ... ..	30	
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A. ... ..	I	2
Social Democratic Federation, Battersea Branch of the. Three periodicals weekly. Three monthly ... ..		
South Eastern and Chatham Railway ... ..	I	
South Place Ethical Society, Finsbury, E.C. One periodical monthly... ..		
Spencer, G., 29 Ingate Terrace, Queen's Road, Battersea. Three periodicals monthly ... ..		
Stationery Office, H. M. ... ..	I	
Stubb's Publishing Co., Ltd., Dashwood House, New Broad Street, E.C. ... ..	I	
Sycowski, Mark, 1 Southolm Street, Battersea ... ..	3	
Technical Education Board, 116 St. Martin's Lane, W.C. ... ..	I	
Thom, Messrs. A. & Co., 87-89 Middle Abbey Street, Dublin ... ..	I	
Thomas, J. W., 6 Elspeth Road, Lavender Hill. S.W. ... ..	2	
Thompson, Messrs. W. P. & Co., 322 High Holborn, W.C. ... ..	I	
Thornton, Percy M., M.P., Battersea Rise, Clapham Common ... ..	I	
Tildesley, S. J., 140 Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical bi-weekly. Four weekly ... ..		
Tourists' Information Department for the Isle of Man ... ..	I	
Tovey, Philip, 28 Trothy Road, Southwark. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Trinity College, London ... ..	I	
University Tutorial Press. One periodical fortnightly ... ..	2	
Veale, Chifferiel & Co., Messrs., 31-37 Cursitor Street, E.C. ... ..	I	
Victoria, Agent-General for, 142 Queen Victoria Street, E.C. Australian Parliamentary Debates (31 parts unbound) ... ..		
Walker, Miss Abney, 11 Bolingbroke Grove, Wandsworth Common. One periodical quarterly. ... ..		
Wallace, Rev. C. S., Ascension Vicarage, Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..	3	
Wandsworth and Battersea Co-operative Society. One periodical weekly ... ..		

	Vols.	Pamph- lets,
Wandsworth and Clapham Board of Guardians. Minutes of Proceedings as issued ... ..		
Wells, Sidney, Battersea Polytechnic. Twelve volumes in parts ... ..		
Whitehead, Mrs., c/o Messrs. Maclehose & Sons, 61 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow ... ..	I I I	
Wilson, C., 197 London Road, S. Leonards-on-Sea. Two periodicals weekly. One monthly. ... ..		
Women's Anti-Opium Urgency Committee. One periodical eight times a year ... ..		
Women's Suffrage Society, 28 Millbank Street, S.W. ...		



PUBLIC LIBRARIES :—*Reports or Catalogues have been received from the following :—*

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Accrington  
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Ashton-under-Lyne  
Aston Manor  
Ayr  
Barrow-in-Furness  
Belfast  
Birmingham  
Blackburn  
Blackpool  
Bolton  
Bootle  
Bournemouth  
Bradford  
Brentford  
Bristol  
Bury  
Buxton  
Cambridge  
Cambridge (University)  
Cardiff  
Charlottenburg (Germany)  
Cheltenham  
Chiswick  
Chorley  
Clitheroe  
Cork  
Croydon  
Darlington  
Derby  
Dewsbury  
Dukinfield  
Dundee  
Ealing  
Eastbourne  
Folkestone  
Glasgow  
Gloucester  
Gosport and Alverstoke  
Great Yarmouth  
Hanley  
Harlesden  
Hartlepool  
Hereford  
Hindley  
Hornsey

Hove  
Hyde  
Kendal  
Kensal Rise  
Kettering  
Kidderminster  
Kilburn  
Kimberley (S. Africa)  
Kingston-upon-Thames  
Leeds  
Leeds (Institute of Science, Art  
and Literature)  
Leek (Nicholson Institute)  
Leicester  
Lincoln  
Liverpool  
London :—  
British Museum  
Chelsea  
Finsbury  
Fulham  
Hammersmith  
St. Bride Foundation Institute  
Shoreditch  
Stoke Newington  
Wandsworth :—  
Clapham  
Putney  
Streatham  
Wandsworth  
Westminster :—  
St. George, Hanover Square  
St. Margaret and St. John  
Longton  
Loughborough  
Manchester  
Melbourne (Australia)  
Middlesbrough  
New South Wales  
Newark-on-Trent  
Newcastle-upon-Tyne  
Norwich  
Oxford (Bodleian)  
Perth  
Plymouth  
Portsmouth  
Redruth  
Richmond (Surrey)  
Rochdale  
Rugby



Runcorn  
 St. Helens  
 Salford  
 Smethwick  
 South Shields  
 Southampton  
 Stafford  
 Sunderland  
 Tokyo, Japan  
 Toronto, Canada  
 Tottenham  
 Twickenham  
 Tynemouth

United States of America :—

Baltimore (Enoch Pratt)  
 Los Angeles, Cal.  
 New York (Aguilar)  
 New York (Mercantile)  
 New York (Pratt Institute)  
 New York (State)  
 St. Louis  
 St. Louis (Mercantile Library  
 Association)

United States of America  
*(continued)*

Salem, Mass.  
 Victoria, Australia  
 Walthamstow  
 Waterloo-with-Seaforth  
 Watford  
 Wednesbury  
 West Bromwich  
 West Ham  
 West Hartlepool  
 Whitehaven  
 Wigan  
 Willesden Green  
 Wimbledon  
 Wolverhampton  
 Worcester  
 Workington  
 York



The following Newspapers and Periodicals are regularly presented by the Publishers :—

## DAILY.

Daily Chronicle  
Daily News  
Financial News

## WEEKLY.

Advertiser  
Alliance News  
Anglo-African Argus  
Aspirant  
Australian Trading World  
Baker and Confectioner  
Balham and Tooting Weekly Post  
Blackpool Times  
Board of Trade Journal  
British Architect  
British Australasian  
Broad Arrow  
Canadian Gazette  
Capitalist  
Catholic Times  
Chelsea Mail  
Church Bells  
Church Family Newspaper  
Civil Service Candidate  
Civil Service Competitor  
Civil Service Hints  
Civil Service Weekly  
Clapham Observer  
Clarion  
Co-operative News  
Councillor and Guardian  
Country Sport  
Dalton's Advertiser  
Draper's Record  
Earlsfield Weekly Mail  
Electrical Engineer  
Electrical Investments  
English Churchman  
Estates Gazette  
Farm, Field, and Fireside  
Finance  
Gardeners' Chronicle  
Grocers' Gazette  
Grocers' Journal  
Hastings and St. Leonard's  
Weekly Mail and Times  
Illustrated Carpenter and Builder  
Illustrated Official Journal (Patents)  
Inquirer  
Insurance Record  
Investors' Guardian  
Investors' Review

WEEKLY (*Continued*)

Iron and Steel Trades Journal  
Licensing World  
Local Government Chronicle  
Local Government Journal  
London Argus  
Musical News  
News of the World  
Norwood Press  
Phonetic Journal  
Poor Law Officer's Journal  
Public Health Engineer  
Railway Review  
Schoolmaster  
Schoolmistress  
Shoe and Leather Record  
South Africa  
South London Mail  
Surrey Comet  
Tailor and Cutter  
Tailoress and Dress Cutter  
Timber  
Tobacco Weekly  
Topical Times  
Trade Marks Journal  
Vegetarian  
Wandsworth and Battersea District Times  
Weekly Dispatch  
West Africa

## FORTNIGHTLY.

Charity Record  
Commercial World  
Insurance Spectator  
University Correspondent

## MONTHLY.

Academic Gazette  
All the World  
Anglo-Russian  
Animals' Friend  
Britain's Opium Harvest  
British Refrigeration  
Brotherhood  
Business Life  
Child's Guardian  
Concord  
Cosme Monthly  
Cowkeeper and Dairyman's Journal  
Debrett's Coming Events  
Educational Times  
Epicure  
Fire and Water  
Fire Call

## MONTHLY (Continued)

Food and Cookery  
Free Life  
Free Russia  
Free Sunday Advocate  
Grocer's Assistant  
Herald of Health  
Herald of the Golden Age  
Horological Journal  
Humanitarian  
Humanity  
Incorporated Accountants'  
Journal  
Indian Magazine and Review  
Insurance Agent  
Inventor's Review  
Journal of Clerks of Works  
Association  
Labour Co-Partnership  
Labour Gazette  
Ladies' League Gazette  
Liberator  
Liberty Review  
Literary Guide  
Literary News  
London Technical Education  
Gazette  
London, Seaside and Country  
Monthly Journal of the Incorporated Society of Musicians  
Musical Herald  
Musical Times  
National Church  
National Deposit Friendly  
Society's Journal

National Home-Reading Union  
Magazine

Nature Notes  
 Navy League Journal  
 New Church Magazine  
 Our Waifs and Strays  
 Patents  
 Philanthropist  
 Philatelic Journal  
 Policy  
 Positivist Review  
 Rural World  
 St. Barnabas Parish Magazine  
 Smithfield Illustrated Monthly  
 South Place Magazine  
 Stationery World  
 Student's Journal (Graham's  
 Phonography)  
 Tailor and Cutter  
 Tea  
 Tool and Machinery Register  
 Travel  
 University Extension Journal  
 Zoophilist

QUARTERLY.

Chicago Statistics  
Deceased Seamen (Official List)  
Emigrants' Information—Office  
Englishwoman's Review  
Property Gazetteer  
Tuberculosis



## MEMORANDA RELATING TO THE BOROUGH OF BATTERSEA.

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Population (1901), 168,896.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,156 acres.

Rateable value, £1,031,412.

Amount produced by penny rate, £4,000.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

The Libraries transferred to the Vestry, 26 March, 1896.

The Borough Council succeeded the Vestry as Library Authority  
9 November, 1900.

# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

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## SEVENTEENTH

## ANNUAL REPORT.

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1903-1904.

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1904.



## Library Committee.

1903-1904.

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DR. L. S. McMANUS,  
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MR. F. W. WORTHY.

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### Officers.

*Librarian*—LAWRENCE INKSTER.

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*Caretakers*—J. CATTRALL, H. W. DODD, Mrs. HALL.

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### LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Assistant-in-Charge*—HARRY R. W. PETERS.

*Assistant*—ERNEST J. COOPER.

*Caretaker*—Mrs. ELLIS

# REPORT.

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The Library Committee submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1904.

The number of registered borrowers is 16,501, of whom 10,786 are enrolled at the Central Library, 3,426 at Lurline Gardens, and 2,289 at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is 53,033, of which 14,434 are in the Reference Department, and 21,039 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 9,042 at Lurline Gardens, and 8,518 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 1,518 volumes, 196 of these having been presented and 1,322 purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was 409,647, of which 38,446 were given out in the Reference Department, and 228,391 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 87,796 at Lurline Gardens, and 55,014 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 409,525.

The question of the amount of the Library Rate remains in the same position which it occupied at the date of our last Report. The Bill for the removal of the statutory limit which was promoted by the Library Association during the Parliamentary Session of 1903 did not reach a second reading, and, although it has been introduced again this year, its

chances of becoming law are remote. Under these circumstances we have thought it desirable to request the Law and Parliamentary Committee to insert in the Bill which the Council are considering the promotion of in 1905, a clause which would remove, as far as the Borough of Battersea is concerned, the restriction which limits the amount of the rate to one penny in the pound. Until the powers thus sought are obtained it will be impossible to administer the public libraries of this Borough in anything like a satisfactory manner. In preparing the Estimates for the current financial year, it was found, after providing for necessary expenses, that no more than £317 was left for the purchase of books, and nearly the whole of this amount will be required for the replacement of worn-out copies of works in the Lending Departments. Even this result could only be obtained by omitting from the Estimates the usual provision for University Extension Lectures.

In connection with the provision of Museums and Gymnasiums, we have pleasure in reporting that a suitable site has been found in the Winstanley Ward, and that the Finance Committee have been authorised by the Council (24th February, 1904), to arrange for its purchase for the sum of £2,250. As soon as the site is acquired, and the necessary loan is sanctioned by the Local Government Board, plans will be prepared for a building to be used jointly by us and the Baths and Wash-houses Committee under the provisions of the Museums and Gymnasiums Act, 1891.

It is gratifying to note that the number of recorded issues in the Reference Library has increased this year by 7,570 volumes. This increase is the more remarkable as it coincides with a large extension of the "open access" system in that Department, the whole of the books on the ground floor having been placed at the free disposal of readers, thus rendering impossible an accurate record of the work now being done. The number of books thus thrown open to public use exceeds 3,000, and they have been systematically arranged upon the decimal system of classification devised by Mr. Melvil Dewey, of the University of New York State, Albany, N.Y.

In June, 1903, an offer was received from the Gilchrist Educational Trust of a series of five lectures to be delivered in January, February and March, 1904, at fortnightly intervals. This offer was accepted by the Council upon the recommendation of the Library Committee, on July 8th, the Trustees providing the Lecturers and the Council giving the use of the Town Hall and paying for printing, advertising and similar expenses. The Lectures were duly delivered on the undermentioned dates, and were largely attended and much appreciated by the public, admission being free for the first time in the history of the Gilchrist Trust. The average attendance at each lecture was 870. The names of the lecturers and the titles of their lectures are as follows :—

January 18th.—SIR ROBERT BALL, “A Universe in Motion.” Chairman: The Mayor, Councillor W. Watts, J.P.

February 1st.—MR. H. J. MACKINDER, “Why is London the Greatest City in the World?” Chairman: Councillor W. Davies, J.P., L.C.C.

February 15th.—DR. R. D. ROBERTS, “England’s Past and Present in the Light of Geology.” Chairman: Councillor the Rev. H. Wesley Dennis, M.A.

February 29th.—DR. H. R. MILL, “Climate and its Influence on Human Progress.” Chairman: Alderman Howarth Barnes.

March 14th.—DR. ANDREW WILSON, “The Geography of Animal Life and What it Teaches.” Chairman: Councillor H. J. Smith.

The University Extension Lectures have been continued during the Session 1903-4 in the Town Hall, a sessional course of twenty-five lectures on “Social Forces in Modern Literature” being delivered by Mr. W. H. Hudson, formerly Professor of English Literature in Stanford University, California. Mr. Hudson’s exceptional gifts as a lecturer have been warmly appreciated by those attending the course, and

his success in holding the interest of his hearers has been marked by the steady attendance of the same students throughout the whole of the long session.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, etc., are appended.

T. EDWARDS, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

*18th April, 1904.*



## APPENDIX.

ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK  
SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	...	...	...	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	...	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1903	...	13997
„ „ added 1903-1904	... ..	438
„ „ transferred to Lending Department		1
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1904	...	14434
„ „ issued 1903-1904	... ..	38446
Daily average...	... ..	107
Number of Volumes bound	... ..	299

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1903	...	20477
„ „ added 1903-1904	... ..	653
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	91
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1904	...	21039
„ „ issued 1903-1904	... ..	228391
Daily average...	... ..	758
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	70288
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1903	...	5451
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1904	...	9099
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	1687
„ Students' Tickets issued	... ..	683
„ Volumes bound	... ..	1417
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	370
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	34
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		108

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,

1903-1904.

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		1903.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1904.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	807	3	—	810
„ B	Sociology ... ..	708	56	—	764
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	1779	24	—	1803
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	3435	49	—	3484
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	442	7	—	449
„ F	Encyclopædias, Diction- aries, &c. ... ..	1698	43	—	1741
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	5128	256	1	5383
	Totals ... ..	<u>13997</u>	<u>438</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>14434</u>

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,

1903-1904.

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		1903.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1904.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	1021	34	—	1055
„ B	Sociology ... ..	821	24	5	840
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	2123	46	2	2167
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	5478	180	1	5657
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	705	16	—	721
„ F	Prose Fiction ... ..	6395	99	79	6415
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	2222	52	2	2272
„ H	Magazines ... ..	542	11	—	553
„ J	Juvenile Literature ...	1170	191	2	1359
	Totals ... ..	<u>20477</u>	<u>653</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>21039</u>

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1903, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1904.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, and Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1903.										
April ...	208	102	487	338	47	522	973	2677	30	89
May ...	159	99	362	287	89	440	845	2281	31	73
June ...	88	83	394	262	68	365	687	1947	30	64
July ...	74	49	291	249	61	276	546	1546	24	64
August ...	74	56	345	266	43	297	860	1941	31	62
September	125	78	477	336	43	379	949	2387	30	79
October ...	169	242	639	522	83	923	1340	3918	31	126
November...	209	177	888	448	67	1060	1524	4373	30	145
December...	160	140	523	369	128	980	1245	3545	30	118
1904.										
January ...	338	226	912	686	148	1126	1367	4803	31	154
February ...	271	260	824	818	157	1021	1322	4673	29	161
March ...	232	223	772	859	155	849	1265	4355	31	140
Totals...	2107	1735	6914	5440	1089	8238	12923	38446	358	107

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1903-1904.

Total issue (April 1st, 1903, to March 31st, 1904)	...	...	1958
Sundays open ...	...	...	51
Average Sunday issue	...	...	38

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1903, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1904.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1903.												
April ...	199	134	1230	1077	202	12366	564	275	3480	19527	24	813
May ...	216	122	1151	1140	186	12329	606	261	3523	19534	26	751
June ...	125	114	800	793	133	9530	431	197	2875	14998	24	624
July ...	135	86	790	749	131	8689	402	184	2950	14116	21	672
August ...	167	83	1028	921	168	11165	495	234	3347	17608	25	704
September...	206	105	1172	1043	159	11769	611	246	3556	18867	26	725
October ...	224	161	1343	1159	208	13506	791	297	3912	21601	27	800
November...	229	173	1300	1099	231	12086	706	272	4155	20251	25	810
December...	188	147	1021	1016	205	10655	569	291	3767	17859	25	714
1904.												
January ...	212	146	1370	1227	228	13251	700	297	4423	21854	26	871
February ...	188	153	1332	1287	232	13069	676	292	3953	21182	25	847
March ...	209	175	1359	1319	232	13099	670	298	3633	20994	27	777
Totals ...	2298	1599	13896	12830	2315	141514	7221	3144	43574	228391	301	758



## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on March 31st, 1903	...	8812
„ added 1903-1904	... ..	230
„ in Stock on March 31st, 1904	...	9042
„ issued 1903-1904	... ..	87796
Daily average	... ..	291
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	18547
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1903	...	1566
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1904	...	2598
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	828
„ Students' Tickets issued...	... ..	109
„ Volumes bound	... ..	496
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	168
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	5
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department...		57

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1903-1904.

	1903.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1904.
Class A Religion and Philosophy...	300	—	—	300
„ B Sociology ... ..	280	13	—	293
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	634	11	—	645
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	1975	29	—	2004
„ E Poetry and the Drama ...	323	5	—	328
„ F Prose Fiction ... ..	3644	35	—	3679
„ G Miscellaneous Literature...	809	9	—	818
„ H Magazines ... ..	105	6	—	111
„ J Juvenile Literature ...	742	122	—	864
Totals ... ..	8812	230	—	9042

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE

GARDENS FROM APRIL 1ST, 1903, TO MARCH 31ST, 1904.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1903.												
April ...	37	22	210	288	41	4935	102	—	1125	6760	24	281
May ...	36	32	206	304	49	5056	133	—	1470	7286	26	280
June ...	42	22	173	223	44	4209	94	—	1351	6158	24	256
July ...	27	28	126	200	29	3763	87	—	1193	5453	21	259
August ...	41	36	174	277	36	4579	128	—	1544	6815	25	272
September...	43	21	197	307	43	5163	111	—	2077	7962	26	306
October ...	39	37	261	328	54	5352	107	—	1991	8169	27	302
November...	27	47	221	318	60	4857	97	—	1874	7501	25	300
December...	31	37	231	304	34	4444	124	—	1852	7057	25	282
1904.												
January ...	39	50	234	411	56	5639	137	—	2002	8568	26	329
February ...	49	33	225	388	57	5410	140	—	1728	8030	25	321
March ...	34	33	227	405	70	5430	127	—	1711	8037	27	297
Totals	445	398	2485	3753	573	58837	1387	—	19918	87796	301	291

## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1903	...	8338
„ „ added 1903-1904	... ..	197
„ „ worn out and not replaced	... ..	17
„ „ in Stock March 31st, 1904	...	8518
„ „ issued 1903-1904	... ..	55014
Daily average	... ..	182
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	17243
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1903	...	1398
„ „ on March 31st, 1904	... ..	1848
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	441
„ Students' Tickets issued	... ..	67
„ Volumes bound	... ..	429
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	157
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	5
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		26

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1903-1904.

	1903.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1904.
Class A Religion and Philosophy...	459	—	—	459
„ B Sociology ... ..	282	11	—	293
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	589	7	—	596
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	1510	21	—	1531
„ E Poetry and the Drama ...	289	3	—	292
„ F Prose Fiction ... ..	3825	24	17	3832
„ G Miscellaneous Literature...	616	8	—	624
„ H Magazines ... ..	3	—	—	3
„ J Juvenile Literature ...	765	123	—	888
Totals ... ..	8338	197	17	8518

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1903, TO MARCH 31ST, 1904.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1903.												
April ...	23	7	92	147	37	3287	67	—	792	4452	24	185
May ...	31	13	100	163	41	3165	74	2	1064	4653	26	178
June ...	14	5	73	104	20	2371	34	1	941	3563	24	148
July ...	16	10	61	115	23	2096	39	1	839	3200	21	152
August ...	29	15	81	119	31	2872	55	—	839	4041	25	158
September	20	17	110	154	29	2846	79	—	1016	4271	26	164
October ...	32	22	99	178	38	3236	83	—	1062	4750	27	175
November...	18	16	84	194	35	3089	82	—	983	4501	25	180
December...	16	14	94	155	40	2939	55	1	1306	4620	25	184
1904.												
January ...	22	20	107	167	40	3818	57	—	1520	5751	26	221
February...	28	22	115	170	48	3772	80	—	1463	5698	25	227
March ...	34	14	102	222	41	3693	90	—	1318	5514	27	204
Totals ...	283	175	1118	1888	423	37184	795	5	13143	55014	301	182



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Accountants and Auditors, Society of. Three periodicals monthly ... ..	3	
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Area (exclusive of water), 2,156 acres.

Rateable value, £1,031,769.

Amount produced by penny rate, £4,000.

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WINIFRED LEGG, WILLIAM NEWBERY.

*Caretakers*—ROBERT BARNES, JAMES EAGLES.

*Attendant, Children's Room*—JOHN G. CATTRALL.

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## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Assistant-in-Charge*—WILLIAM TURNBULL.

*Assistants*—WILLIAM C. REES, ERNEST J. COOPER.

*Caretakers*—J. W. WESTCOTT, H. W. DODD, MRS. HALL.

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## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Assistant-in-Charge*—WILLIAM R. BRIDGE.

*Assistant*—EDGAR A. HART.

*Caretaker*—MRS. ELLIS.



# REPORT.

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The Library Committee submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1905.

The number of registered borrowers is 15,682, of whom 9,935 are enrolled at the Central Library, 3,654 at Lurline Gardens, and 2,093 at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is 53,813, of which 14,893 are in the Reference Department, and 21,354 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 9,042 at Lurline Gardens, and 8,524 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 898 volumes, 223 of these having been presented and 675 purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was 401,382, of which 57,218 were given out in the Reference Department, and 216,179 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 77,002 at Lurline Gardens, and 50,983 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 409,647.

As stated in the last Report, no provision was made in the Estimates for 1904-5 for the expenses of carrying on the University Extension Lectures, and this work has been undertaken by a Committee of Students and others who had attended previous courses of these lectures, an application to the London County Council for a grant in aid of the movement having proved unsuccessful. The Borough Council kindly granted the use of the Lower Town Hall for a course of ten lectures in the Lent Term of 1905, free of charge, and in order to meet the other expenses a fee of 2s. 6d. is charged for the course, or 6d. for admission to a single lecture. It is hoped

that the cost of the course will thus be covered, and even that a small balance may be left in hand, which will be presented to the Council for the purchase of books for the Central Library. The Lecturer is Professor W. H. Hudson, and his subject is "Dickens, Thackeray, and George Eliot." Professor Hudson's success as a lecturer has not only been maintained, but increased, notwithstanding the fact that admission is no longer free, and at the opening lectures of the term the hall was quite filled. The Library Committee are gratified to note that there has been no falling off in the attendance.

When the site for the branch library in Lurline Gardens was purchased from H.M. Office of Works in 1889, a condition reserving a strip of ground 15 feet wide on the west side of the site for joint right of way and light to the purchasers and the occupiers of the adjoining premises on the west was inserted by the vendors in the conveyance. On the completion of the block of flats immediately adjoining this strip of ground, it was considered probable that the common use of the ground by both parties might be found inconvenient, and in July, 1904, an agreement was made between the Council and the owners of the adjoining premises, by which a portion of this ground 5 feet wide was absolutely surrendered to the latter, the Council retaining the remainder, about 10 feet in width, and erecting the necessary dividing wall and entrance gates. This work has been commenced, and its cost is provided for in the Estimates for 1905-6.

Further progress has been made in the matter of the proposed new building in Winstanley Ward, which is to be used as a Museum, Gymnasium, and Baths. Possession of the site in Plough Road has been obtained, the British School for Girls which stood there has been pulled down, and the work of erecting the new building will begin during the coming summer. The estimated cost of the undertaking, £11,135, has been sanctioned by the Council, the plans, prepared by the Borough Surveyor, have been approved, and the control of that part of the building to be used for the Museum and the Gymnasium has been entrusted to the Library Committee.

On 8th February, 1905, the Council authorised the Library Committee to obliterate the betting news in the newspapers supplied to the reading rooms, and since February 18th such news has been regularly blacked out with printer's ink applied by suitable rollers. Since this has been done, it has become possible for readers to see the ordinary news of the day without inconvenience or annoyance.

Considerable additions have been made to the local collection in the Reference Library, including books, engravings, maps, and pictorial post-cards with views of Battersea and the neighbourhood. The Library Committee will be glad to receive accessions to this collection, which will be of value and service to future users of the Library, and they beg to invite further donations, especially from amateur photographers and those who possess original drawings of buildings or views in the Borough.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, etc., are appended.

T. C. WATERLAND, *Chairman*.

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian*.

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,

LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

3rd April, 1905.

## MEMORANDA RELATING TO THE BOROUGH OF BATTERSEA.

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Population (1901), 168,896.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,156 acres.

Rateable value, £1,041,838.

Amount produced by penny rate, £4,000.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

The Libraries transferred to the Vestry, 26 March, 1896.

The Borough Council succeeded the Vestry as Library  
Authority, 9 November, 1900.

## APPENDIX.

ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK  
SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	...	...	...	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	...	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813



## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1904	...	14434
„ „ added 1904-1905 ... ..	...	459
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1905	...	14893
„ „ issued 1904-1905 ... ..	...	57218
Daily average... ..	...	160
Number of Volumes bound ... ..	...	370

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1904	...	21039
„ „ added 1904-1905 ... ..	...	366
„ „ withdrawn ... ..	...	51
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1905	...	21354
„ „ issued 1904-1905 ... ..	...	216179
Daily average... ..	...	720
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	76287
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1904	...	5999
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1905	...	8539
„ Juvenile Borrowers ... ..	...	1396
„ Students' Tickets issued ... ..	...	647
„ Volumes bound ... ..	...	1756
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	...	736
„ replaced by Borrowers ... ..	...	28
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	...	71

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,

1904-1905.

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		1904.	Addi- tions.	1905.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	810	17	827
„ B	Sociology ... ..	764	147	911
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	1803	46	1849
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	3484	85	3569
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	449	10	459
„ F	Encyclopædias, Diction- aries, etc. ... ..	1741	16	1757
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	5383	138	5521
	Totals ... ..	14434	459	14893

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,

1904-1905.

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		1904.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1905.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	1055	29	—	1084
„ B	Sociology ... ..	840	15	1	854
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	2167	24	1	2190
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	5657	129	2	5784
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	721	7	—	728
„ F	Prose Fiction ... ..	6415	96	43	6468
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	2272	34	—	2306
„ H	Magazines ... ..	553	19	—	572
„ J	Juvenile Literature ...	1359	13	4	1368
	Totals ... ..	21039	366	51	21354

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## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1904, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1905.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1904.										
April ...	291	240	959	738	277	908	1366	4779	30	159
May ...	372	316	1016	924	304	1144	1650	5726	31	184
June ...	286	217	797	891	240	939	1263	4633	30	154
July ...	168	130	474	606	147	606	876	3007	24	125
August ...	277	266	653	726	293	958	1319	4492	31	144
September	366	357	871	799	285	1049	1422	5149	30	171
October ...	359	313	877	925	288	1105	1568	5435	31	175
November...	252	169	1068	842	188	1140	1585	5244	30	175
December...	196	158	966	704	209	977	1390	4600	30	153
1905.										
January ...	321	178	1332	755	483	197	1276	4542	31	146
February...	323	170	1151	800	382	178	1316	4320	28	154
March ...	459	247	1242	1013	427	248	1655	5291	31	170
Totals...	3670	2761	11406	9723	3523	9449	16686	57218	357	160

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1904-1905.

Total issue (April 1st, 1904, to March 31st, 1905)	...	...	2049
Sundays open ...	...	...	50
Average Sunday issue	...	...	41

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1904, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1905

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1904.												
April ...	201	118	1242	1094	203	12753	621	262	3317	19811	24	825
May ...	212	123	1058	924	173	11536	603	203	3021	17853	25	714
June ...	125	66	716	677	143	8928	383	134	2219	13391	25	535
July ...	99	57	635	604	119	8166	329	119	2086	12214	20	610
August ...	184	89	845	764	163	10778	448	139	2573	15983	26	614
September...	175	130	1076	978	185	11691	518	170	3003	17926	26	689
October ...	201	137	1223	1094	222	12484	611	183	3807	19962	26	767
November...	196	125	1132	1096	236	12499	680	176	3868	20008	26	769
December...	148	137	1060	945	188	11513	599	193	3681	18464	25	738
1905.												
January ...	193	156	1203	1130	212	12772	612	163	3920	20361	26	783
February ...	183	131	1167	1050	218	12385	646	167	3382	19329	24	805
March ...	193	121	1260	1172	218	13422	709	145	3637	20877	27	773
Totals ...	2110	1390	12617	11528	2280	138927	6759	2054	38514	216179	300	720

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1904	...	...	9042
„ „ added 1904-1905	...	...	46
„ „ withdrawn	...	...	46
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1905	...	9042	
„ „ issued 1904-1905	...	...	77002
Daily average	...	...	256
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	...	20541
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1904	...	1992	
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1905	...	2780	
„ Juvenile Borrowers	...	...	874
„ Students' Tickets	...	...	87
„ Volumes bound	...	...	671
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	...	...	344
„ replaced by Borrowers	...	...	7
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department...			38

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1904-1905.

	1904.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1905.
Class A Religion and Philosophy...	300	1	—	301
„ B Sociology ... ..	293	4	—	297
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	645	2	—	647
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	2004	8	—	2012
„ E Poetry and the Drama ...	328	—	—	328
„ F Prose Fiction ... ..	3679	19	41	3657
„ G Miscellaneous Literature...	818	5	1	822
„ H Magazines ... ..	111	5	—	116
„ J Juvenile Literature ...	864	2	4	862
Totals ... ..	9042	46	46	9042



## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE  
GARDENS FROM APRIL 1ST, 1904, TO MARCH 31ST, 1905.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1904.												
April ...	34	28	186	334	52	4962	139	—	1515	7250	24	302
May ...	29	18	199	225	35	4502	119	—	1424	6551	25	262
June ...	19	21	131	192	23	3348	74	—	1029	4837	25	193
July ...	21	19	108	134	29	3058	65	—	810	4244	20	212
August ...	22	29	139	258	39	4027	123	—	1108	5745	26	221
September...	30	22	188	306	25	4254	110	—	1624	6559	26	252
October ...	31	28	234	316	45	4574	134	—	2051	7413	26	285
November...	38	27	225	292	37	4403	99	—	2151	7272	26	279
December...	26	17	135	252	31	3935	90	—	1687	6173	25	246
1905.												
January ...	35	14	208	290	49	4476	153	—	1751	6976	26	268
February ...	32	24	191	283	46	4345	122	—	1700	6743	24	280
March ...	49	22	205	309	46	4681	150	—	1777	7239	27	267
Totals	366	269	2149	3191	457	50565	1378	—	18627	77002	300	256

## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1904	...	8518
„ „ added 1904-1905	... ..	27
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	21
„ „ in Stock March 31st, 1905	...	8524
„ „ issued 1904-1905	... ..	50983
Daily average	... ..	170
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	18595
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1904	...	1355
„ „ on March 31st, 1905	... ..	1662
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	431
„ Students' Tickets issued	... ..	56
„ Volumes bound	... ..	459
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	196
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	5
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		17

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1904-1905.

	1904.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1905.
Class A Religion and Philosophy...	459	—	—	459
„ B Sociology ... ..	293	1	—	294
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	596	2	—	598
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	1531	11	—	1542
„ E Poetry and the Drama ...	292	—	—	292
„ F Prose Fiction ... ..	3832	10	21	3821
„ G Miscellaneous Literature...	624	—	—	624
„ H Magazines ... ..	3	2	—	5
„ J Juvenile Literature ...	888	1	—	889
Totals ... ..	8518	27	21	8524

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1904, TO MARCH 31ST, 1905.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, and Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1904.												
April ...	29	30	96	175	35	3360	84	—	1319	5128	24	213
May ...	20	19	93	131	25	3030	60	—	1167	4545	25	174
June ...	14	7	67	100	21	2303	65	—	685	3262	25	130
July ...	11	8	52	73	26	2043	29	—	632	2874	20	143
August ...	16	13	72	128	31	2554	44	—	794	3652	26	140
September	18	7	107	181	33	2803	56	2	853	4060	26	156
October ...	34	19	114	168	45	3039	78	1	960	4458	26	171
November...	27	14	97	117	42	3191	78	1	1013	4580	26	178
December...	18	10	106	147	21	3030	86	—	888	4306	25	172
1905.												
January ...	25	15	120	166	41	3120	63	—	920	4470	26	172
February ...	33	18	116	164	44	3203	62	—	954	4594	24	191
March ...	24	14	127	168	55	3580	70	1	1015	5054	27	187
Totals ...	269	174	1167	1718	419	35256	775	5	11200	50983	300	170

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &amp;c.

	Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Accountants and Auditors, Society of. Three periodicals monthly ... ..	4	
Agriculture, Minister of, Ottawa, Canada ... ..	1	
Andrew, Arthur, 64 Marney Road, S.W. Three periodicals monthly ... ..	25	
Anonymous. Three maps ... ..		
Arnold, E. W., 2 Comyn Road, Battersea, S.W. ... ..		6
Ayling, G. I., 30 Linda Street, Battersea, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Bailey, Sir W. H., "Sale Hall," Sale, Cheshire ... ..		1
Baptist Union, 4 Southampton Row, W.C. ... ..	1	
Barnes, Howarth, "Cranleigh," North Side Clapham Common ... ..	3	
Barraud, G. P., 34 Sisters Avenue, Clapham Common, S.W. ... ..	4	
Battersea Borough Council. (Minutes of Proceedings as issued, Minutes of Proceedings of the London County Council, and six periodicals monthly) ... ..	8	
Beck, R. & J., Ltd., 68 Cornhill, E.C. ... ..	4	
Bodleian Library, Oxford ... ..	1	
Bonham, F. J., 59 Fontarabia Road, Clapham Common, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Borley, G. W., 24 Victoria Road, Clapham Common, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..		
British Museum, Trustees of the. (Parts of Supplementary Catalogue as issued) ... ..	9	
Browitt, J. S., 2 Mallinson Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W. ... ..	6	
Browne, Messrs. T. B., Ltd., 163 Queen Victoria Street, E.C. ... ..	1	
Burgoyne, Frank J., "Tate" Library, Brixton Oval, S.W. ... ..	17	
Burns, John, L.C.C., M.P., 108 Lavender Hill, S.W. (and Parliamentary Publications) ... ..	63	
Calcutta Imperial Library, Calcutta ... ..	2	
Canadian Government, Department of the Interior, Ottawa ... ..	2	
Canadian Government Offices, 11-12 Charing Cross, W.C. ... ..	1	
Chicago Municipal Library and Bureau of Statistics ... ..	1	
Chidell, E. F., c/o Thomas Burleigh, Esq., 376-377 Strand ... ..	1	
Choate, Hon. J. H., 1 Carlton House Terrace, S.W. ... ..	1	
City and Guilds of London Institute—Department of Technology ... ..	1	1
Corporation of the City of London ... ..	1	
Davis, C. T., Public Library, Wandsworth (Plans of Local Buildings, and papers relating to Fine Art Exhibition, 1892) ... ..		
De Groot, Dr. J. Morgan, "Mountview," Henley-on-Thames ... ..	1	
Delaire, Mme. Jean, c/o Writers' Club, 10 Norfolk Street, Strand, W.C. ... ..	1	
Doncaster, Mrs. P., 26 Earlsfield Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W. ... ..		2
Evell, William, 43 Gloucester Gardens, Hyde Park, W. ... ..	5	
Farrer, Dowager Lady, 3 Whitehall Court, S.W. ... ..	1	
Geological Survey of Canada ... ..	2	



	Vols.	Pamph-lets.
Gray, J. O. M., 116 Narbonne Avenue, Clapham, S.W.	1	
Grubb, W. G., 46 Parma Crescent, S.W. One periodical monthly		
Hampton's Scholastic Directory Co., 2 Wiltshire Road, Brixton, S.W.	1	
Hardwicke, Dr. W. W., 32 Cyril Mansions, Battersea Park, S.W.	4	
Harper & Brothers, Messrs., Franklin Square, New York, U.S.A.	1	
Hill, Walter, 67-71 Southampton Row, W.C.		4
Holinsworth, C. B., c/o Messrs. Fairbairn & Wingfield, 64 Cannon Street, E.C.	17	
Jennings, A. S., 365 Birkbeck Bank Chambers, High Holborn, W.C.	1	
Johnson, C. R., 35-36 Bedford Street, W.C. "Traction and Transmission." (25 parts unbound)		
Kay, David, Executors of the late, c/o J. S. Yule, Esq., 28A Union Street, Aberdeen	1	
King, P. S. & Son, 2-4 Great Smith Street, Westminster, S.W.	2	
Layton, C. & E., 56 Farringdon Street, E.C.	1	
Lee, A. E., 2 Cupar Road. One periodical monthly, and a Reading Case for "The Esperantist"		
London County Council (Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Cash Papers as issued, and one periodical, weekly; 4 copies)	6	
London County Council School of Photo-Engraving and Lithography, 6 Bolt Court, Fleet Street, E.C.	1	
London Directory Co., Ltd., 25 Abchurch Lane, E.C.	5	
Mather & Crowther, Messrs., 10-12 New Bridge Street, Ludgate Circus, E.C.	1	
Metropolitan Asylums Board	1	
Meux, Lady, Theobald's Park, Hertfordshire	2	
Mitchell, Messrs. & Co., 1-2 Snow Hill, London, E.C.	1	
Morgan, Mrs., 25 Octavia Street, Battersea. One periodical monthly		
Musicians, Incorporated Society of, 10 Berners Street, W.	1	
Mutter, G. B., 35 Winifred Grove, Clapham Common, S.W. One periodical monthly		
National Service League. One periodical monthly		
National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Leicester Square, W.C.		1
New South Wales, Agent-General for, 9 Victoria Street, S.W.		1
New Zealand, Agent-General for, 13 Victoria Street, S.W.	5	
New Zealand, Registrar-General of, Wellington, N.Z.	1	
Paton, Messrs. J. J., 143 Cannon Street, E.C.	1	
Perry's Directory Co., 6-8 Crutched Friars, London, E.C.	1	
Physical Education, Incorporated British College of, 5-7 Johnson Street, Notting Hill Gate, W.		1
Price, F. G. Hilton, 1 Fleet Street, E.C.	1	
Proctor, H., 146 Mallinson Road, New Wandsworth, S.W. Six periodicals monthly	2	
Rational Association Friendly Society, Rational Buildings, Bridge Street, Manchester. Six periodicals quarterly	6	
Religious Tract Society, 56 Paternoster Row, E.C.	3	
Rines, W., 39 Ingelow Road, Battersea, S.W. One periodical monthly	1	



	Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Robson, R., 1 Lurline Gardens, Battersea Park, S.W. ...		
One periodical monthly ... ..		
Rowbotham, Rev. J. F., 131C Friedrich Strasse, Berlin	1	
St. Bride's Press, Ltd., 24 Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C.		1
St. Pancras Borough Council ... ..	2	
School Board for London ... ..	3	
Simmons, T. W., 16 Wroughton Road, S.W. (Three		
ink rollers and three tins of printer's ink) ...		
Smith, Mr. A., 60 Landseer Street, Battersea, S.W.		
Four periodicals monthly ... ..		
Social Democratic Federation, Battersea Branch. One		
periodical weekly ... ..		
Socialist Party of Great Britain, Battersea Branch.		
Two periodicals monthly ... ..		
Society Journals' Publishing Co., Ltd., 6 Cherry Street,		
Birmingham ... ..		1
South Australia, Agent-General for, 15 Victoria Street,		
S.W. ... ..	1	
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A. ...	1	
Tariff Reform League, 7 Victoria Street, S.W. ...		1
Teachers, National Union of, 67 and 71 Russell Square,		
W.C. ... ..	1	
Thomas, J. W., 6 Elspeth Road, Lavender Hill, S.W. ...	1	
Tildesley, S. J., 140 Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodi-		
cal bi-weekly. Four weekly ... ..		
Trinity College, Mandeville Place, Manchester Square,		
W. ... ..	1	
Turnbull, Mr. and Mrs. Peveril, "Sandybrook Hall,"		
Ashbourne ... ..	1	
Union Press, 1122 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, U.S.A.	1	
University Extension Guild ... ..		1
University Tutorial Press, 157 Drury Lane, W.C. One		
periodical fortnightly ... ..	4	
Victoria, Agent-General for, 142 Queen Victoria Street,		
E.C. Australian Parliamentary Debates (thirty-six		
parts unbound) ... ..		
Walker, Miss Abney, 11 Bolingbroke Grove, Wands-		
worth Common, S.W. One periodical quarterly ...		
Wallace, Rev. C. S., The Vicarage, Tipthorpe Road,		
Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical monthly ...		
Wandsworth and Clapham Board of Guardians		
(Minutes of Proceedings as issued) ... ..		



PUBLIC LIBRARIES :—*Reports or Catalogues have been received from the following :—*

Aberdeen	Hartlepool
Accrington	Hindley
Acton	Hornsey
Altrincham	Hove
Ashton-under-Lyne	Hyde
Aston Manor	Kendal
Ayr	Kensal Rise
Barrow-in-Furness	Kettering
Barry	Kidderminster
Bebington	Kilburn
Belfast	Kingston-upon-Thames
Birmingham	Leeds
Blackburn	Leek (Nicholson Institute)
Blackpool	Leicester
Bootle	Leyton
Bournemouth	Lincoln
Bradford	Liverpool
Brighton	London :—
Bristol	Bishopsgate Foundation Institute
Bury	British Museum
Buxton	Chelsea
Cambridge	Cripplegate Foundation
Cambridge (University)	Finsbury
Cardiff	Fulham
Cheltenham	Hammersmith
Chiswick	Shoreditch
Chorley	Stoke Newington
Clitheroe	Wandsworth :—
Colchester	Clapham
Croydon	Putney
Derby	Streatham
Devonport	Tooting
Dewsbury	Wandsworth
Dukinfield	Westminster :—
Dundee	St. George, Hanover Square
Ealing	St. Margaret and St. John
Eastbourne	St. Martin-in-the-Fields
Folkestone	Longton
Glasgow (Baillie's Institution)	Loughborough
Glasgow (Stirling's and Glasgow)	Middlesbrough
Gloucester	Nelson
Gosport and Alverstoke	New South Wales
Great Yarmouth	Newark-on-Trent
Hamburg	Newcastle-under-Lyme
Hanley	Newcastle-upon-Tyne
Harlesden	Norwich
	Oxford (Bodleian)
	Penarth
	Perth
	Plymouth
	Portsmouth

Preston  
 Redruth  
 Richmond (Surrey)  
 Rochdale  
 Runcorn  
 St. Helens  
 Salford  
 South Shields  
 Southampton  
 Stafford  
 Stockport  
 Tokyo (Japan)  
 Tottenham  
 Twickenham  
 Tynemouth

United States of America :—

Baltimore (Enoch Pratt)  
 Chicago  
 Los Angeles, Cal.  
 New York (Astor, Lenox and  
 Tilden Foundations)  
 New York (Mercantile)  
 Philadelphia

United States of America

(Continued).

St. Louis (Mercantile Library  
 Association)  
 St. Paul (Minn.)  
 Salem (Mass.)  
 Victoria, Australia  
 Walsall  
 Walthamstow  
 Waterloo-with-Seaforth  
 Watford  
 Wednesbury  
 West Bromwich  
 West Ham  
 West Hartlepool  
 Whitehaven  
 Wigan  
 Willesden Green  
 Wolverhampton  
 Worcester  
 Workington  
 York



The following Newspapers and Periodicals are regularly presented by the Publishers :—

## DAILY.

Daily News.  
Financial News

## WEEKLY.

Alliance News  
Aspirant  
Australian Trading World  
Baker and Confectioner  
Balham and Tooting Weekly  
Post  
Blackpool Herald  
Blackpool Times  
Board of Trade Journal  
British Australasian  
British Journal of Photography  
Broad Arrow  
Canadian Gazette  
Capitalist  
Catholic Times  
Chelsea Mail  
Christian Commonwealth  
Christian Science Sentinel  
Church Bells  
Church Family Newspaper  
Civil Service Candidate  
Civil Service Competitor  
Civil Service Hints  
Civil Service Weekly  
Clapham Observer  
Clarion  
Country Sport  
Dalton's Advertiser  
Drapers' Record  
Electrical Engineer  
English Churchman  
Estates Gazette  
Gardeners' Chronicle  
Gazette News  
Grocers' Gazette  
Grocers' Journal  
Hastings and St. Leonards  
Weekly Mail  
Illustrated Official Journal  
(Patents)  
Indian Opinion  
Inquirer  
Insurance Record  
Investors' Guardian  
Investors' Review  
Iron and Steel Trades Journal  
Justice  
Labour Leader  
Licensing World  
Local Government Chronicle  
Local Government Journal  
London Argus

WEEKLY (*Continued*).

London Opinion  
Musical News  
New Century Path  
News of the World  
Norwood Press  
Phonetic Journal  
Poor Law Officers' Journal  
Practical Engineer  
Public Health Engineer  
Railway Review  
Schoolmaster  
Schoolmistress  
Shoe and Leather Record  
South Africa  
Surrey Comet  
Tailor and Cutter  
Tailoress and Dress Cutter  
Timber  
Trade Marks Journal  
Wandsworth and Battersea  
District Times

## FORTNIGHTLY.

Charity Record  
Laundry Journal  
University Correspondent

## MONTHLY.

Academic Gazette  
Anglo-Russian  
Animals' Friend  
Anti-Slavery Reporter  
Arts and Crafts  
Biblia  
Britain's Opium Harvest  
Brotherhood  
Catholic Fireside  
Child's Guardian  
Christian Science Journal  
Church of England League  
Gazette  
Churchman  
Circle  
Collector's Magazine  
Concord  
Cowkeeper and Dairyman's  
Journal  
Educational Times  
Faraday House Journal  
Fire and Water  
Fire Call  
Food and Cookery  
Free Russia  
Free Sunday Advocate  
Glad Tidings  
Grocers' Assistant

## MONTHLY (Continued).

Herald of Health  
 Herald of the Cross  
 Herald of the Golden Age  
 Horlick's Magazine  
 Horological Journal  
 Humanity  
 Incorporated Accountants'  
 Journal  
 Indian Magazine and Review  
 Indian Opinion  
 Insurance Agent  
 Journal of the Clerks of Works  
 Association  
 Journal of the Society of  
 Musicians  
 Labour Co-Partnership  
 Labour Gazette  
 League of the Empire  
 Liberator  
 Liberty Review  
 Literary Guide  
 Literary News  
 London Education Gazette  
 London, Seaside and Country  
 Lyceum Banner  
 Manual Training Teacher  
 Musical Herald  
 Musicians' Report and Journal  
 National Church  
 National Deposit Friendly  
 Society's Journal  
 National Service Journal  
 Navy League Journal  
 New Church Magazine

## MONTHLY (Continued).

Our Waifs and Strays  
Patents  
Philanthropist  
Philatelic Journal  
Policy  
Positivist Review  
Prohibitionist  
Rural World  
St. Barnabas Parish Magazine  
Sales and Wants Advertiser  
Smithfield Illustrated Monthly  
South Place Magazine  
Stationery World  
Student's Journal  
Sugar Users' Journal  
Tailor and Cutter  
Talking Machine News  
Theosophical Review  
Tool and Machinery Register  
Travel  
Union Observer  
Vulcan  
War or Brotherhood  
Women's Employment  
Zoophilist

QUARTERLY.

Buddhism  
Chicago Statistics  
Deceased Seamen (Official List)  
Emigrant's Information—Office  
Circulars  
Englishwoman's Review  
Humane Review





# BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

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## NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

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**1905-1906.**

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London  
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Clapham Junction and Wandsworth Road.

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1906.

## Library Committee.

1905-1906.

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# REPORT.

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The Library Committee submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1906.

The number of registered borrowers is 14,464, of whom 9,847 are enrolled at the Central Library, 2,852 at Lurline Gardens, and 1,765 at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is 54,300 of which 15,657 are in the Reference Department, and 21,227, in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 9,068 at Lurline Gardens, and 8,348 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 1,410 volumes, 343 of these having been presented and 1,067 purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was 408,572, of which 60,638 were given out in the Reference Department, and 214,092 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 74,221 at Lurline Gardens, and 59,621 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 401,382.

Considerable attention has been given to the subject of the relations existing between the Libraries and the Schools and the possibility of improving them by closer co-operation between the Library Committee and the Educational Authorities. With this object, a scheme for re-organising the School Libraries in the Borough has been prepared by the Librarian and approved by the Library Committee, and it is now under consideration by the Education Committee. In the meantime, facilities are being given to such Schools as may desire it for meeting the wants of scholars not provided for by the School Libraries, and in general for carrying out the suggestions made at the conference with the Teachers in 1898.

The new building in Plough Road, which will comprise a museum, a gymnasium, baths, and rooms for purposes of recreation, is now approaching completion, and will shortly be opened for public use. The Library Committee take this opportunity of inviting gifts of specimens for the museum, drawings and prints of local interest, and other useful and appropriate articles, which will be received by the Librarian at the Central Library, and acknowledged by the Committee in due course.

The University Extension Lectures have been carried on during the Session of 1905-6 by the Committee of Students, with the Librarian as Honorary Secretary, and have continued to be successful in every way, chiefly owing to the generous assistance given by the Borough Council in granting the use of the lower Town Hall free of charge. During the Michaelmas Term of 1905, a course of ten lectures was delivered by Dr. Arthur Rickett, M.A., entitled, "Studies in Tennyson, Browning, Rossetti and William Morris," and Professor W. H. Hudson lectured during the Lent Term of 1906 on "Carlyle, Ruskin and Matthew Arnold." In the Session of 1906-7, Professor Hudson will deliver a course of twenty-five lectures on "The Plays of Shakespeare."

The work of dividing and enclosing the spare ground on the west of the Lurline Gardens Branch Library was completed by the Works Department in the summer of 1905, and has considerably improved the appearance of the building.

The local collection in the Reference Library has been enriched by the addition of a number of printed documents relating to the purchase and clearance of the site of Battersea Park about the middle of last century, together with plans for laying out the Park, particulars of land sales in the parish earlier in the century, and a collection of advertisements of sporting competitions and miscellaneous entertainments at the old Red House, in Battersea Fields, previous to its demolition.

Many valuable gifts have been received during the year, and are recorded in the Appendix to this Report, and the Committee are indebted to Mrs. A. Hammond for the loan

of an interesting collection of illuminated manuscripts, chiefly of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Centuries, which is displayed in the show cases in the New Magazine Room.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, &c., are appended.

T. C. WATERLAND, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,

LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

*2nd April, 1906.*



## MEMORANDA RELATING TO THE BOROUGH OF BATTERSEA.

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Population (1901), 168,896.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,156 acres.

Rateable value, £1,063,119.

Amount produced by penny rate, £4,115.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

The Libraries transferred to the Vestry, 26 March, 1896.

The Borough Council succeeded the Vestry as Library  
Authority, 9 November, 1900.

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	...	...	...	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	...	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

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Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1905	...	14893
„ „ added 1905-1906	... ..	788
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	24
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1906	...	15657
„ „ issued 1905-1906	... ..	60638
Daily average...	... ..	169
Number of Volumes bound	... ..	438

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## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1905	...	21354
„ „ added 1905-1906	... ..	424
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	551
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1906	...	21227
„ „ issued 1905-1906	... ..	214092
Daily average...	... ..	713
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	82242
„ „ „ April 1st, 1905	...	5955
„ „ „ on March 31st, 1906	...	9847
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	1376
„ Students' Tickets issued	... ..	707
„ Volumes bound	... ..	1525
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	970
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	20
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	...	127

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1905-1906.

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		1905.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1906.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	827	45	—	872
„ B	Sociology ... ..	911	174	—	1085
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	1849	122	7	1964
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	3569	184	13	3740
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	459	20	—	479
„ F	Encyclopædias, Diction- aries, etc. ... ..	1757	36	4	1789
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	5521	207	—	5728
	Totals ... ..	14893	788	24	15657

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1905-1906.

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		1905.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1906.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	1084	39	2	1121
„ B	Sociology ... ..	854	16	1	869
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	2190	44	8	2226
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	5784	128	6	5906
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	728	8	—	736
„ F	Prose Fiction ... ..	6468	81	361	6188
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	2306	39	4	2341
„ H	Magazines ... ..	572	18	30	560
„ J	Juvenile Literature ...	1368	51	139	1280
	Totals ... ..	21354	424	551	21227

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## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1905, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1906.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1905.													
April ...	1150	194	281	205	267	322	522	274	706	926	4847	30	161
May ...	1355	180	269	236	376	362	530	356	744	1000	5408	31	174
June ...	1266	231	278	244	233	271	325	228	687	872	4635	30	154
July ...	861	133	166	147	175	206	294	221	491	492	3186	24	132
August ...	862	290	334	296	318	356	607	400	764	758	4985	31	160
September	873	359	320	353	344	321	449	396	525	656	4596	30	153
October ...	1137	375	377	371	529	427	505	381	573	725	5400	31	174
November...	1086	295	300	307	528	495	505	443	704	697	5360	30	178
December...	1210	246	282	329	331	368	449	390	584	743	4932	30	164
1906.													
January ...	1396	264	258	333	329	387	538	495	553	838	5391	31	173
February...	1455	208	278	265	256	411	481	439	649	997	5439	28	194
March ...	1530	224	301	360	368	412	708	476	801	1279	6459	31	208
Totals...	14181	2999	3444	3446	4054	4338	5913	4499	7781	9983	60638	357	169

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1905-1906.

Total issue (April 1st, 1905, to March 31st, 1906)	...	...	3481
Sundays open ...	...	...	51
Average Sunday issue	...	...	68



## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1905, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1906.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1905.												
April ...	178	93	997	987	178	12053	576	175	3113	18350	23	797
May ...	179	88	1011	977	175	11424	532	134	2932	17452	27	646
June ...	134	56	647	612	143	8379	362	98	2051	12482	24	520
July ...	150	59	643	556	107	7938	362	80	1839	11734	20	586
August ...	165	100	836	697	109	10462	409	91	2833	15702	26	603
September...	199	134	1140	955	163	12693	451	147	2933	18815	26	723
October ...	188	132	1208	1031	197	12117	654	139	3041	18707	26	719
November...	212	110	1303	1127	214	12136	688	137	3266	19193	26	738
December...	153	123	1100	1019	185	11176	630	153	3116	17655	24	735
1906.												
January ...	179	202	1378	1202	239	13389	737	161	4236	21723	27	804
February ...	191	211	1388	1216	251	12657	783	158	3427	20282	24	845
March ...	209	201	1355	1339	291	13986	768	195	3653	21997	27	814
Totals ...	2137	1509	13006	11718	2252	138410	6952	1668	36440	214092	300	713

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1905	...	...	9042
„ „ added 1905-1906	...	...	136
„ „ withdrawn	...	...	110
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1906	...	...	9068
„ „ issued 1905-1906	...	...	74221
Daily average	...	...	247
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	...	22429
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1905	...	...	1888
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1906	...	...	2852
„ Juvenile Borrowers	...	...	535
„ Students' Tickets	...	...	107
„ Volumes bound	...	...	625
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	...	...	500
„ replaced by Borrowers	...	...	2
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department...	...	...	74

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1905-1906.

	1905.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1906
Class A Religion and Philosophy...	301	6	—	307
„ B Sociology ...	297	3	24	276
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ...	647	23	5	665
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	1941	50	1	1990
„ E Poetry and the Drama ...	328	—	—	328
„ F Prose Fiction ...	3657	26	34	3649
„ G Miscellaneous Literature...	706	20	—	726
„ H Magazines ...	3	—	—	3
„ J Juvenile Literature ...	862	—	16	846
Works of Reference ...	300	8	30	278
Totals ...	9042	136	110	9068

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE  
GARDENS FROM APRIL 1ST, 1905, TO MARCH 31ST, 1906.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1905.												
April ...	36	18	164	241	46	4104	114	—	1485	6208	23	269
May ...	37	32	147	215	43	4009	103	—	1541	6127	27	226
June ...	16	14	133	187	16	2936	73	—	1065	4440	24	185
July ...	33	17	104	152	17	2551	54	—	982	3910	20	195
August ...	37	16	121	237	29	3492	72	—	1244	5248	26	201
September...	28	24	191	266	42	4739	167	—	1688	7145	26	274
October ...	45	27	196	292	44	4687	125	—	1777	7193	26	276
November...	36	30	189	327	46	4332	116	—	1588	6664	26	256
December...	34	34	156	250	58	4199	114	—	1517	6362	24	265
1906.												
January ...	36	35	199	279	45	4717	136	—	1865	7312	27	270
February ...	32	29	210	304	39	4291	123	—	1486	6514	24	271
March ...	22	34	212	317	41	4842	102	—	1528	7098	27	263
Totals	392	310	2022	3067	466	48899	1299	—	17766	74221	300	247

## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1905	...	8524
„ „ added 1905-1906	... ..	62
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	238
„ „ in Stock March 31st, 1906	...	8348
„ „ issued 1905-1906	... ..	59621
Daily average	... ..	198
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	20064
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1905	...	1469
„ „ on March 31st, 1906	... ..	1765
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	678
„ Students' Tickets issued...	... ..	46
„ Volumes bound	... ..	264
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	372
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	2
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		33

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1905-1906.

	1905.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1906.
Class A Religion and Philosophy...	459	6	—	465
„ B Sociology ... ..	294	3	5	292
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	598	—	—	598
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	1542	29	1	1570
„ E Poetry and the Drama ...	292	—	—	292
„ F Prose Fiction ... ..	3821	19	195	3645
„ G Miscellaneous Literature...	624	5	1	628
„ H Magazines ... ..	5	—	—	5
„ J Juvenile Literature ...	889	—	36	853
Totals ... ..	8524	62	238	8348

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1905, TO MARCH 31ST, 1906.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1905.												
April ...	28	15	108	155	34	3285	87	1	909	4622	23	201
May ...	25	16	106	159	37	3239	63	1	1015	4661	27	173
June ...	25	11	71	103	25	2299	40	—	715	3289	24	137
July ...	18	6	53	101	16	2067	32	—	722	3015	20	150
August ...	24	8	72	106	32	2686	57	—	860	3845	26	147
September	30	17	102	141	36	3226	56	—	1050	4658	26	179
October ...	37	23	108	221	50	3063	95	—	1349	4946	26	190
November...	36	9	130	231	65	3384	84	—	1572	5511	26	211
December...	21	18	118	194	32	3339	78	—	1556	5356	24	223
1906.												
January ...	40	36	127	255	51	4233	101	—	1904	6747	27	249
February...	34	27	127	269	82	3845	105	—	1667	6156	24	256
March ...	36	33	160	302	71	4254	133	—	1826	6815	27	252
Totals ...	354	219	1282	2237	531	38920	931	2	15145	59621	300	198



## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &amp;c.

	Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Accountants and Auditors, Society of. One periodical monthly (three copies) ... ..	3	
Andrew, Arthur, 64 Marney Road, S.W. One periodical monthly (three copies) ... ..		
Anonymous ... ..	1	
Barnes, Howarth, 116 North Side, Clapham Common ...	6	
Barraud, F. A., 34 Sisters Avenue, S.W. ... ..	8	
Bartlett, J. H., 11 Rusham Road, S.W. One periodical quarterly (three copies) ... ..	35	
Battersea Borough Council. (Minutes of Proceedings as issued, Minutes of the London County Council, and one periodical monthly, six copies) ... ..	5	
Beck, S. W., 89 Melody Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W. ... ..	15	
Bodleian Library, Oxford ... ..	1	
Bonham, F. J., 59 Fontarabia Road, S.W. One periodi- cal monthly ... ..		
Borley, G. W., 24 Victoria Road, Clapham Common, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..		
British Museum, Trustees of the ... ..	10	
British South Africa Company ... ..	1	
Brodie, J. A., The Guildhall, Windsor ... ..	1	
Brooks, C. E., Colston House, Malvern ... ..	12	
Burns, Rt. Hon. John, M.P., 108 Lavender Hill, S.W.	62	
Canadian Government, Department of Agriculture ...	1	2
Carson, J. G., Coleraine, Ireland ... ..	1	
Chicago Corporation, U.S.A. ... ..	1	
City and Guilds of London Institute ... ..	2	
Cleve, Dr., 79 Albert Palace Mansions, Battersea Park, S.W. ... ..	17	
Commissioner of Education, Washington, U.S.A. ...	2	1
Conybeare, F. C., 13 Norham Gardens, Oxford ...	1	
Corporation of the City of London ... ..	1	
Cripplegate Foundation Institute, Golden Lane, E.C. ...	1	
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Decimal Association, Oxford Court, E.C. Two maps, explanatory of the metric system ... ..		
Digby, Long and Co., Messrs., 18 Bouverie Street, E.C.	1	
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Edwards, J. Passmore, 51 Bedford Square, W.C. ...	1	
Eland, Mrs. F., Pigeon Hall, Woolbeeding, Midhurst ...	3	
Emigrants Information Office, Westminster ... ..	1	
Fletcher, B. F., 29 New Bridge Street, E.C. ... ..	1	
Geological Survey of Canada. Two maps ... ..		
Great Central Railway Co., Marylebone ... ..	2	
Grimaldi, Rev. A. B., 27 Guernsey Grove, Herne Hill, S.W. ... ..	3	
Hammond, A., 51 Vardens Road, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Hampton's Scholastic Directory Co., 2 Wiltshire Road, Brixton ... ..	1	
Harding, Messrs. J. W. and Co., Nottingham ... ..	40	
Hayhurst, J. W., Public Library, Clitheroe ... ..		1
Hazzard, Rev. T. J., 3 Nightingale Gardens, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..	1	
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Hogg, J. Frederick, 16A Kathleen Road, S.W....	1	

	Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Holford, Arthur, First Church of Christ Scientist, Sloane Terrace, London ... ..	5	
Humphrey, Mrs., 25 Shelgate Road, S.W. ... ..	20	
Hurry, H. B., c/o Eliot Stock, 62 Paternoster Row, E.C.	1	
India, Rt. Hon., the Secretary of State for ... ..	23	
Land Nationalisation Society, 432 West Strand, W.C.	4	
Lee, A. E., 2 Cupar Road, S.W. One periodical monthly		
Lissant, A., "Castlenau," Thurleigh Road, S.W. ...	10	
London County Council (Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Cash Papers as issued, and one periodical weekly; four copies) ... ..	7	I
London Directory Co., Ltd., 25 Abchurch Lane, E.C.	6	
London School of Economics, Clare Market, W.C. ...	1	
London, Tilbury and Southend Railway Co., Fenchurch Street. Time-table and cover ... ..		
Mather and Crowther, Ltd., 10 New Bridge Street, London, E.C. ... ..	1	
Mathews, E. R. N., Bristol Public Libraries ... ..		I
Metcalfe, Rev. F. W., 13 Sisters Avenue, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Metropolitan Asylums Board ... ..	2	
Mitchell, Messrs. C. and Co., 1-2 Snow Hill, E.C. ...	1	
Morgan, Mrs., 13 Louvaine Road. One periodical weekly ... ..		
Musicians, Incorporated Society of ... ..	3	
Nash, Vaughan, c/o Longmans, Green and Co., 39 Paternoster Row, E.C. ... ..	1	
National Service League. One periodical weekly ...		
National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Leicester Square, W.C. ... ..	1	
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Norfolk County Council, Education Committee ... ..	1	
North Eastern Railway Co. ... ..	3	
Norton, Miss V., 8 Altenburg Gardens, S.W. ... ..	1	
Paton, Messrs. J and J., 143 Cannon Street, E.C. ...	1	
Perry, Messrs. W. and Co., Ltd., 6 Crutched Friars, E.C.	1	
Pink, John, Public Library, Cambridge ... ..	1	
Proctor, H., 146 Mallinson Road, S.W. Six periodicals monthly ... ..	1	
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Scott, J. C., Public Library, Kendal ... ..	1	
Shann, George, c/o Messrs. Cassell and Co., Ltd., La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Hill, E.C. ... ..	1	
Sherratt and Hughes, Messrs., 65 Long Acre, W.C. ...	1	
Skerry's Civil Service Publishing Co., 27 Chancery Lane, E.C. Cover for "Civil Service Competitor."		
Smith, A., 60 Landseer Street, S.W. One periodical monthly (three copies) ... ..		
Smith, H. W., 1 Hillside Crescent, Edinburgh ... ..	3	
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A. ... ..	1	
Soper, Mr., 106 Surrey Lane, Battersea, S.W. ... ..	2	
Stark, Miss, 13 Grayshott Road, S.W. ... ..	8	
Swedenborg Society, 1 Bloomsbury Street, W.C. ...	13	
Taite, H. B., 21 Roseneath Road, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ..		
Tasmania, Agent-General for, 5 Victoria Street, S.W.		2

	Vols,	Pamph- lets.
Teachers, National Union of, 67 and 71 Russell Square, W.C. ... ..	I	
Thomas, J. W., 6 Elspeth Road, S.W. ... ..	II	2
Trinity College of Music, London ... ..	I	
Turner, W. T., 148 High Street, Guildford ... ..	I	
University Tutorial Press, 157 Drury Lane, W.C. One periodical fortnightly ... ..	6	
Victoria, Agent-General for, 142 Queen Victoria Street, E.C. Twenty-seven parts unbound ... ..		
Volta Bureau, Washington, U.S.A. ... ..		2
Voysey, Rev. Charles, Annesley Lodge, Hampstead ... ..	I	
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Watson, Dr. R. S., c/o The Walter Scott Publishing Co., Paternoster Square, London ... ..	I	
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Wright, Lady Cory—c/o Messrs. Brimley Johnson and Ince, Ltd., 35 Leicester Square, W.C. ... ..	2	



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Barry	Kettering
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Belfast	Kilburn
Belfast (Linen Hall)	Kimberley (South Africa)
Birmingham	Kingston-upon-Thames
Blackburn	Leeds
Blackpool	Leeds (Institute of Science, Art and Literature)
Bolton	Leek (Nicholson Institute)
Bootle	Leicester
Bournemouth	Leigh
Bradford	Leyton
Brentford	Limerick
Brighton	Lincoln
Bristol	Liverpool
Bury	London :—
Buxton	British Museum
Cambridge	Chelsea
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Chiswick	Hammersmith
Chorley	Hampstead
Colchester	St. Bride Foundation Institute
Cork	Shoreditch
Croydon	Stoke Newington
Derby	Wandsworth
Devonport	Westminster
Dewsbury	Longton
Dundee	Loughborough
Ealing	Middlesbrough
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Salford	Victoria (Australia)
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South Shields	Walthamstow
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Stafford	Watford
Stockport	West Bromwich
Tokyo (Japan)	Widnes
Tokyo (Imperial), Japan	Wigan
Tottenham	Whitehaven
Toronto (Canada)	Willesden
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Blackpool Times  
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Board of Trade Journal  
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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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**1906-1907.**

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1907.

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1906-1907.

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# REPORT.

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The Library Committee beg to submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1907.

The number of registered borrowers is **14,371**, of whom **10,154** are enrolled at the Central Library, **2,435** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,782** at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is **55,233**, of which **16,541** are in the Reference Department, and **21,168** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **9,129** at Lurline Gardens, and **8,395** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **1,410** volumes, **71** of these having been presented and **1,339** purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was **419,215**, of which **93,083** were given out in the Reference Department, and **197,072** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **68,200** at Lurline Gardens, and **60,860** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were **408,572**.

The Plough Road establishment, consisting of a Museum, a Gymnasium, Baths, a Recreation Room and a Reading Room for Children, was formally opened by the Mayor, Mr. W. Rines, J.P., on September 29th, 1906, Mr. T. C. Waterland, Chairman of the Library Committee, presiding. The building has been erected by the Works Department under the direction of the Borough Surveyor, Mr. T. W. A. Hayward, A.M.I.C.E., who is responsible for the design. At the same time a loan exhibition of pictures, prints, etchings, natural history specimens, &c., was inaugurated, and remained open during the month of October. The pictures on view included examples of the work of Hogarth,



Sir Joshua Reynolds, T. Sidney Cooper, J. A. McNeill Whistler, W. P. Frith, Frank Holl, Stanley A. Forbes, and other artists, and an interesting feature of the Exhibition was a collection of photographs—archæological, geological and topographical—relating to the County of Surrey, and lent by the Photographic Survey and Record of Surrey. The thanks of the Committee are due to the following individuals and public bodies for kindly contributing to this exhibition, viz.:—The Trustees of the British Museum, the Board of Education (Victoria and Albert Museum, South Kensington), the Corporations of Bradford, Bristol, Leeds and Liverpool, Lord Aberdare, Mr. James Gresham, Mr. Seth Taylor, Miss E. Brown, Mr. J. F. Bursill, Mr. C. R. Harris, Mr. W. S. Oulds, Mr. F. Foan, the Morgan Crucible Company, Limited, Price's Patent Candle Company, Limited, Messrs. Doulton & Company, Limited, Mr. W. Thorpe, Messrs. Cassell & Company, Limited, "The Graphic" Gallery, Messrs. O. E. Janson & Son, The Photographic Survey and Record of Surrey, Mr. Sidney Colvin, and, in particular, Mr. Arthur Wigg, who furnished a very extensive selection of objects of art and general interest, which he has changed from time to time and is still continuing the loan of in various forms.

Gifts to the Museum have also been received from the following gentlemen, to whom the Committee desire to express their grateful thanks, viz.:—Messrs. T. C. Waterland, F. W. Worthy, J. E. Joselin, F. W. Wall, F. H. Fisher, Desmond McManus, Diarmid McManus, B. J. Turtle, and L. A. Shiffner.

All departments of the new building have been well used since the opening, and statistics on the subject are included in the Appendix to this Report, but the success of the Recreation Room has been specially noticeable, rendering it necessary to provide two billiard tables and to remove the newspapers and periodicals to the first floor so that the readers might have more space and greater quiet. The Children's Reading Room is also very well attended, the number of readers averaging **228** daily.

The Lectures in connection with the University Extension Board of the University of London continue to be well attended,

and during the Session of 1906-7 Mr. W. H. Hudson has delivered twenty-five lectures on "The Plays of Shakespeare." Mr. Hudson's services have also been secured for next Session, when he will deliver a course of twenty-five lectures on some leading English poets of the nineteenth century and their works.

The question of printing the catalogue of the Reference Library has been repeatedly considered by the Committee, and it is now thought that the time has arrived when this work can be usefully undertaken. The whole collection has been re-classified on the Dewey system, the preparation of the catalogue for the press is in hand, and the work will be published as soon as possible. Two Lending Library catalogues are in the press, and two others will be published later in the year.

The usual detailed statistical information, lists of donors to the Libraries and Museum, &c., are appended.

B. T. PRICE, *Chairman*.

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian*.

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

*15th April, 1907.*

## MEMORANDA RELATING TO THE BOROUGH OF BATTERSEA.

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Population (1901), 168,896.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,156 acres.

Rateable value, £1,066,550.

Amount produced by penny rate, £4,100.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

The Libraries transferred to the Vestry, 26 March, 1896.

The Borough Council succeeded the Vestry as Library Authority, 9 November, 1900.

Museum, Gymnasium, etc., Plough Road, opened, 29 September 1906.

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	...	...	...	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	...	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1906	...	15657
„ „ added 1906-1907	... ..	889
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	5
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1907	...	16541
„ „ issued 1906-1907	... ..	93083
Daily average...	... ..	260
Number of Volumes bound	... ..	394

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1906	...	21227
„ „ added 1906-1907	... ..	413
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	472
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1907	...	21168
„ „ issued 1906-1907	... ..	197072
Daily average...	... ..	663
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	87707
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1906	...	5465
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1907	...	10154
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	1224
„ Students' Tickets issued	... ..	630
„ Volumes bound	... ..	1426
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	1145
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	24
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	...	126



CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1906-1907.

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		1906.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1907.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	872	47	2	917
„ B	Sociology ... ..	1085	137	3	1219
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	1964	108	—	2072
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	3740	203	—	3943
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	479	37	—	516
„ F	Encyclopædias, Diction- aries, etc. ... ..	1789	41	—	1830
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	5728	316	—	6044
	Totals ... ..	15657	889	5	16541

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1906-1907.

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		1906.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1907.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	1121	30	—	1151
„ B	Sociology ... ..	869	18	—	887
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	2226	33	1	2258
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	5906	154	—	6060
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	736	7	—	743
„ F	Prose Fiction ... ..	6188	99	367	5920
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	2341	44	2	2383
„ H	Magazines ... ..	560	14	102	472
„ J	Juvenile Literature ...	1280	14	—	1294
	Totals ... ..	21227	413	472	21168

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1906, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1907.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1906.													
April ...	1398	220	398	387	371	509	606	465	806	1204	6364	30	212
May ...	1492	201	338	532	329	614	615	614	1095	1337	7167	31	231
June ...	1083	187	283	343	290	445	505	471	748	979	5334	30	177
July ...	1032	132	266	298	256	388	470	465	626	939	4872	24	203
August ...	1246	187	308	403	273	594	459	442	706	891	5509	31	179
September	1462	231	342	527	392	703	659	631	971	1180	7098	30	236
October ...	1710	167	496	612	545	934	902	912	1243	1520	9041	31	291
November...	1627	216	486	677	571	1092	904	849	1206	1484	9112	30	303
December...	1607	189	463	655	480	965	773	634	1183	1339	8288	30	276
1907.													
January ...	1863	279	619	887	686	1192	939	813	1432	1659	10369	31	334
February ...	1699	275	585	761	631	1081	888	817	1234	1431	9402	28	335
March ...	1859	322	641	844	644	1255	1045	911	1455	1551	10527	31	339
Totals...	18078	2606	5225	6926	5468	9772	8765	8024	12705	15514	93083	357	260

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1906-1907.

Total issue (April 1st, 1906, to March 31st, 1907)	...	...	2841
Sundays open ...	...	...	52
Average Sunday issue	...	...	54

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1906, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1907.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1906.												
April ...	163	123	1072	1040	200	11320	610	187	3041	17756	23	772
May ...	198	137	1093	903	203	11474	603	158	2675	17444	27	646
June ...	116	78	724	679	141	7982	431	100	1708	11959	24	498
July ...	102	93	669	651	125	7380	339	60	1286	10705	20	535
August ...	113	112	791	793	134	9558	434	90	1886	13911	26	534
September...	150	147	1043	877	172	10508	536	120	2105	15658	25	626
October ...	164	183	1274	1093	184	11529	593	109	2602	17731	27	656
November...	187	184	1288	1123	193	11722	589	96	3404	18786	26	722
December...	151	134	1110	954	169	10505	535	123	3395	17076	23	742
1907.												
January ...	166	149	1312	1026	222	13150	610	160	2646	19441	27	720
February ...	183	142	1222	1138	214	12630	631	169	1411	17740	24	655
March ...	132	170	1190	1080	199	12315	614	164	3001	18865	25	754
Totals ...	1825	1652	12788	11357	2156	130073	6525	1536	29160	197072	297	663

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1906	...	...	9068
„ „ added 1906-1907	...	...	61
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1907	...	...	9129
„ „ issued 1906-1907	...	...	68200
Daily average	...	...	229
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	...	24110
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1906	...	...	1681
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1907	...	...	2435
„ Juvenile Borrowers	...	...	430
„ Students' Tickets	...	...	68
„ Volumes bound	...	...	384
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	...	...	204
„ replaced by Borrowers	...	...	6
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department...	...	...	29

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1906-1907.

	1906.	Addi- tions.	1907.
Class A Religion and Philosophy	307	—	307
„ B Sociology	276	5	281
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	665	2	667
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels	1990	14	2004
„ E Poetry and the Drama	328	—	328
„ F Prose Fiction	3649	30	3679
„ G Miscellaneous Literature	726	2	728
„ H Magazines	3	—	3
„ J Juvenile Literature	846	2	848
Works of Reference	278	6	284
Totals	9068	61	9129

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE  
GARDENS FROM APRIL 1ST 1906, TO MARCH 31ST, 1907.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1906.												
April ...	29	27	147	255	36	4053	86	—	1375	6008	23	261
May ...	19	25	189	258	46	4186	114	—	1397	6234	27	231
June ...	37	20	127	194	54	3130	78	—	1136	4776	24	199
July ...	11	17	122	145	13	2714	60	—	856	3938	20	196
August ...	12	22	134	196	35	3219	106	—	1006	4730	26	182
September...	29	24	173	240	42	3589	88	—	1199	5384	25	207
October ...	32	37	232	267	44	4082	142	—	1504	6340	27	235
November...	36	31	222	281	54	3920	113	—	1617	6274	26	241
December...	29	16	148	252	41	3564	97	—	1261	5408	23	235
1907.												
January ...	24	22	186	297	39	4098	90	—	1387	6143	27	228
February ...	26	30	200	290	45	4108	110	—	1430	6239	24	260
March ...	36	39	150	312	45	4456	78	—	1610	6726	25	269
Totals	320	310	2030	2987	494	45119	1162	—	15778	68200	297	229



## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1906	...	8348
„ „ added 1906-1907	... ..	47
„ „ in Stock March 31st, 1907	...	8395
„ „ issued 1906-1907	... ..	60860
Daily average	... ..	204
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	21516
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1906	...	1452
„ „ on March 31st, 1907	... ..	1782
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	637
„ Students' Tickets issued...	... ..	67
„ Volumes bound	... ..	347
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	267
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	3
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		60

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1906-1907.

	1906.	Addi- tions.	1907.
Class A Religion and Philosophy	465	—	465
„ B Sociology	292	4	296
„ C Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	598	1	599
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels	1570	7	1577
„ E Poetry and the Drama	292	—	292
„ F Prose Fiction	3645	31	3676
„ G Miscellaneous Literature	628	2	630
„ H Magazines	5	—	5
„ J Juvenile Literature	853	2	855
Totals	8348	47	8395

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1906, TO MARCH 31ST, 1907.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1906.												
April ...	23	18	102	207	41	3421	109	—	1430	5351	23	232
May ...	32	18	119	199	60	3439	92	—	1442	5401	27	200
June ...	33	21	87	142	45	2335	54	—	1030	3747	24	156
July ...	16	9	51	89	19	1942	30	—	756	2912	20	145
August ...	21	16	105	107	25	2796	47	—	882	3999	26	153
September	23	25	111	147	36	3295	63	—	1315	5015	25	200
October ...	22	24	120	205	46	3599	81	—	1707	5804	27	214
November...	22	18	129	213	42	3637	77	—	1811	5949	26	228
December...	31	24	133	207	47	3171	65	—	1459	5137	23	223
1907.												
January ...	27	31	158	229	61	3830	99	—	1524	5959	27	220
February...	30	21	153	246	65	3507	82	—	1552	5656	24	235
March ...	32	13	120	218	61	3885	90	—	1511	5930	25	237
Totals ...	312	238	1388	2209	548	38857	889	—	16419	60860	297	204

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## QUARTERLY.

Anti-Slavery Reporter  
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 Herald of the Golden Age  
 Military Cyclist  
 Progress  
 Rational Journal  
 Tuberculosis





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LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH. Catalogue of the Lending Library.  
79 pp., 8vo. 1890. 3d. *Out of print.*

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CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.)  
Second Edition. 70 pp., 16mo. 1895. 2d. *Out of print.*

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CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key, Third Edition, and Author-  
Catalogue of Fiction. 129 pp., 16mo. 1897. 2d. *Out of  
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LAMMAS HALL BRANCH. Catalogue of the Lending Library.  
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CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of the Lending Department.  
Third Edition. 344 pp., 8vo. 1898. 9d. *Out of print.*

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Second Edition. 170 pp., 8vo. 1899. 6d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of Juvenile Literature. (Class J.)  
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CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of Juvenile Literature (Class J.)  
Second Edition. 129 pp., 16mo. 1902. 1d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.)  
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- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Supplementary Catalogue of the Lending Department, 1898-1904. 167 pp., 8vo. 1904. 6d.
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- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of Juvenile Literature (Class J.) Third Edition. 131 pp., 16mo. 1905. 1d.
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„ Juvenile „ „	...	...	2804
Amount received for use of Gymnasium	...	£20 12s. 10d.	
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1907-1908.

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# REPORT.

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The Library Committee submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1908.

The number of registered borrowers is 13,644, of whom 9,126 are enrolled at the Central Library, 2,927 at Lurline Gardens, and 1,591 at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is 55,937, of which 17,374 are in the Reference Department, and 21,269 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 9,063 at Lurline Gardens, and 8,231 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 1,411 volumes, 132 of these having been presented and 1,279 purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was 427,360, of which 108,546 were given out in the Reference Department, and 193,218 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 69,134 at Lurline Gardens, and 56,462 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 419,215.

The work of the Libraries has proceeded steadily and satisfactorily during the year, and the new Institution in Plough Road has maintained the popularity which marked the period between its opening and the date of the last Report. Several specimens have been purchased for the permanent collection in the Museum, and some very important Loans have been made by residents in Battersea and the neighbourhood, notably by Dr. Horace Jeaffreson, of the Red House, West Hill. A Catalogue of the Museum has been printed, and minor improvements have been carried out in various departments.

A series of Free Entertainments for Children has been given in the Gymnasium on Monday evenings, from January 13th to March 30th, and has been much appreciated, the room being crowded at each entertainment. The expenses have been met by a grant of £10 from the Committee of the Borough Concerts, and entertainments have been provided, either free or at reduced charges, by the following ladies and gentlemen, viz. :—Councillor J. R. Archer, Councillor C. J. Mann, Mr. Arthur Wigg, Mr. W. S. Oulds, Mr. J. Groves, Miss L. E. Austin, Miss D. Hemsted, Miss Florence Ash, and Professor Roborti.

The University Extension Lectures at the Town Hall during the Session of 1907-8 have been given by Professor W. H. Hudson, his subject being "Tennyson and Browning." The attendances, both at the Lectures and the Class, have been as large as ever. In October, 1908, Mr. Hudson will commence a course of lectures on "The Development of Literatures," which will cover the whole history of the subject, beginning with Hebrew and Greek literature, and terminating with the eighteenth century. This course will extend over three years, concluding with the Summer Term of 1911.

The work of preparing for press the Catalogue of the Reference Library has been somewhat retarded by the necessity for printing various Catalogues of the Lending Departments during the past year, but it is hoped that good progress will soon be made with this important undertaking, and the Librarian has been authorised to suspend the printing of Lending Library Catalogues until the Catalogue of the Reference Library has been published.

The usual detailed statistical information, lists of donors to the Libraries and Museum, &c., are appended.

WILLIAM MELVILLE, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,

LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

13th April, 1908.

## APPENDIX.

ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK  
SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	...	...	...	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	...	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233
1907-08	108,546	193,218	69,134	56,462	427,360	55,937

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1907	...	16541
„ „ added 1907-1908	... ..	843
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	10
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1908	...	17374
„ „ issued 1907-1908	... ..	108546
Daily average...	... ..	303
Number of Volumes bound	... ..	535

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1907	...	21168
„ „ added 1907-1908	... ..	476
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	375
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1908	...	21269
„ „ issued 1907-1908	... ..	193218
Daily average...	... ..	639
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	93196
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1907	...	5489
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1908	...	9126
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	1132
„ Students' Tickets issued	... ..	754
„ Volumes bound	... ..	1815
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	...	1092
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	19
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	...	119

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1907-1908.

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		1907.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1908.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	917	58	—	975
„ B	Sociology ... ..	1219	92	—	1311
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	2072	133	—	2205
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	3943	127	—	4070
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	516	39	—	555
„ F	Encyclopædias, Diction- aries, etc. ... ..	1830	56	10	1876
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	6044	338	—	6382
	Totals ... ..	16541	843	10	17374

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1907-1908.

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		1907.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1908.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy...	1151	31	—	1182
„ B	Sociology ... ..	887	26	—	913
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ..	2258	57	1	2314
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ...	6060	183	27	6216
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ...	743	10	1	752
„ F	Prose Fiction ... ..	5920	72	222	5770
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature...	2383	49	—	2432
„ H	Magazines ... ..	472	18	124	366
„ J	Juvenile Literature ...	1294	30	—	1324
	Totals ... ..	21168	476	375	21269

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## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1907, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1908.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1907.													
April ...	1739	317	660	814	694	1211	971	868	1430	1544	10248	30	341
May ...	1804	330	699	799	645	1170	930	885	1433	1595	10290	31	331
June ...	1651	275	492	625	576	973	892	749	1207	1359	8799	30	293
July ...	1249	216	379	443	391	715	618	519	919	1156	6605	24	275
August ...	1527	265	456	545	464	802	702	659	1126	1400	7946	31	256
September	1553	256	480	593	545	984	859	670	1206	1382	8528	30	284
October ...	1639	324	633	802	655	1106	937	825	1434	1550	9905	31	319
November...	1468	328	676	699	589	1066	821	766	1320	1386	9119	30	303
December...	1530	297	581	649	559	974	762	718	1298	1285	8653	30	288
1908.													
January ...	1597	369	625	623	676	926	811	805	1289	1380	9101	31	293
February...	1418	407	631	776	641	983	804	796	1355	1376	9187	29	316
March ...	1631	385	718	756	729	1129	963	909	1392	1553	10165	31	327
Totals...	18806	3769	7030	8124	7164	12039	10070	9169	15409	16966	108546	358	303

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m. 1907-1908.

Total issue (April 1st, 1907, to March 31st, 1908)	...	...	3099
Sundays open ...	...	...	51
Average Sunday issue	...	...	60

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1907, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1908

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1907.												
April ...	133	142	1200	1025	249	11568	598	162	2934	18011	25	720
May ...	152	142	1145	1002	204	10460	575	143	2527	16350	26	628
June ...	118	128	713	677	155	8144	430	122	1847	12334	24	513
July ...	98	120	768	698	124	7335	368	119	1506	11136	21	530
August ...	101	144	875	861	155	9353	421	133	1951	13994	26	538
September	159	219	1024	823	185	9653	528	119	2041	14751	25	590
October ...	159	238	1136	1038	212	10661	602	122	2995	17163	27	635
November...	153	254	1209	1099	221	11017	661	170	3099	17883	26	687
December...	116	164	961	916	165	9745	486	119	2869	15541	24	647
1908.												
January ...	135	189	1012	1151	187	11363	493	145	3369	18044	27	668
February...	138	221	1211	1207	238	12014	615	144	3372	19160	25	766
March ...	181	227	1175	1121	205	11829	655	169	3289	18851	26	725
Totals ...	1643	2188	12429	11618	2300	123142	6432	1667	31799	193218	302	639

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1907	...	...	9129
„ „ added 1907-1908	...	...	77
„ „ withdrawn	...	...	143
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1908	...	...	9063
„ „ issued 1907-1908	...	...	69134
Daily average	...	...	228
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	...	25986
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1907	...	...	1876
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1908	...	...	2927
„ Juvenile Borrowers	...	...	537
„ Students' Tickets issued...	...	...	72
„ Volumes bound	...	...	1255
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	...	...	649
„ replaced by Borrowers	...	...	4
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department...	...	...	42

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1907-1908.

		1907.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1908.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	307	3	—	310
„ B	Sociology	281	1	—	282
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	667	—	—	667
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels	2004	52	2	2054
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	328	—	—	328
„ F	Prose Fiction	3679	6	121	3564
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	728	5	2	731
„ H	Magazines	3	—	—	3
„ J	Juvenile Literature	848	1	18	831
Works of Reference		284	9	—	293
Totals		9129	77	143	9063

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE  
GARDENS FROM APRIL 1ST, 1907, TO MARCH 31ST, 1908.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1907.												
April ...	45	28	182	246	34	4208	81	—	1586	6410	25	256
May ...	35	24	131	248	46	4026	80	—	1392	5982	26	230
June ...	22	15	98	140	21	2930	68	—	1008	4302	24	179
July ...	22	17	103	124	28	2998	54	—	817	4163	21	198
August ...	30	18	123	207	25	3906	63	—	965	5337	26	205
September...	24	28	135	191	27	3863	71	—	964	5303	25	212
October ...	34	30	152	262	47	4190	98	—	1237	6050	27	224
November...	31	35	176	241	31	4337	94	—	1374	6319	26	243
December...	36	42	141	184	26	3750	69	—	1407	5655	24	235
1908.												
January ...	37	42	150	221	30	4325	99	—	1432	6336	27	234
February ...	35	34	163	307	32	4512	105	—	1498	6686	25	267
March ...	35	36	173	276	49	4417	79	—	1526	6591	26	253
Totals	386	349	1727	2647	396	47462	961	—	15206	69134	302	228

## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1907	...	8395
„ „ added 1907-1908	... ..	15
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	179
„ „ in Stock March 31st, 1908	...	8231
„ „ issued 1907-1908	... ..	56462
Daily average	... ..	186
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	...	22803
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1907	...	1287
„ „ on March 31st, 1908	... ..	1591
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	435
„ Students' Tickets issued...	... ..	44
„ Volumes bound	... ..	853
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	549
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	3
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		61

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1907-1908.

		1907.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1908.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	... 465	1	—	466
„ B	Sociology	... .. 296	—	—	296
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	... .. 599	—	—	599
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels	... 1577	10	—	1587
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	... 292	—	—	292
„ F	Prose Fiction	... .. 3676	3	149	3530
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	... 630	—	1	629
„ H	Magazines	... .. 5	—	—	5
„ J	Juvenile Literature	... 855	1	29	827
	Totals	... 8395	15	179	8231



## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1907, TO MARCH 31ST, 1908.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1907.												
April ...	33	29	136	171	57	3649	91	—	1520	5686	25	227
May ...	33	14	106	173	44	3253	55	—	1364	5042	26	193
June ...	16	6	91	101	27	2365	36	—	864	3506	24	146
July ...	12	18	70	96	29	2077	53	—	763	3118	21	148
August ...	23	21	104	118	30	2759	57	—	776	3888	26	149
September...	11	17	87	106	49	3157	62	—	935	4424	25	176
October ...	21	19	110	148	49	3153	80	—	1306	4886	27	180
November...	38	15	102	186	49	3562	89	—	1643	5684	26	218
December...	26	21	82	123	47	2997	49	—	1336	4681	24	195
1908.												
January ...	28	23	86	168	52	3401	69	—	1344	5171	27	191
February ...	27	23	109	166	54	3496	62	—	1343	5280	25	211
March ...	28	24	105	162	56	3352	79	—	1290	5096	26	196
Totals ...	296	230	1188	1718	543	37221	782	—	14484	56462	302	186

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Number of Visitors to the Recreation Room	...	...	11,725
Amount received for use of „ „	...	£49 15s.	1d.
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# REPORT.

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The Library Committee submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1909.

The number of registered borrowers is **14,726**, of whom **10,047** are enrolled at the Central Library, **3,088** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,591** at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is **56,879**, of which **18,709** are in the Reference Department, and **20,844** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **9,042** at Lurline Gardens, and **8,284** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **1,702** volumes, **322** of these having been presented and **1,380** purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was **427,287**, of which **109,401** were given out in the Reference Department and **199,386** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **65,829** at Lurline Gardens, and **52,671** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were **427,360**.

During the year the books comprised in Class F (Prose Fiction) in the Lending Department of the Central Library have been rearranged, and a great many superfluous items have been withdrawn, thereby reducing the stock in this section to little more than **5,000** volumes, whereas in 1905 it amounted to **6,500**. The arrangement of all works in this class in the alphabetical order of their authors' names, corresponding also to their shelf numbers, rendered a new

edition of the Indicator Key of Class F necessary, and this was published at the time the change was made. A Class List of History (History, Biography, Geography and Travels) was also published during the period under review. A similar process has been applied in the Reference Library in preparation for the printing of the catalogue of that department. About **700** volumes (most of them presented) which for various reasons were not considered worth retention, have been discarded, and a complete revision and rearrangement of the stock is proceeding simultaneously with the work of cataloguing the whole of the collection.

The number of books consulted in the Reference Library, **109,401**, is the highest recorded in any one year, nearly trebling the figures of five years ago, and there is every reason to believe that the department will continue to increase in usefulness, and will be of greater service to the public in the future. It may fairly be assumed that this enlarged use is in great part due to the free access to the shelves now enjoyed by readers, but, unfortunately, this privilege is one which readily lends itself to abuse, and during the year a number of books have been stolen. The fact that other public libraries in London have also suffered in this way, and about the same time, appears to indicate that these depredations are the work of an organised gang of thieves, familiar with the methods in use in most of the metropolitan libraries.

At the Plough Road Institution the Museum and the Reading Rooms continue to be well attended, while a decline in the numbers using the Recreation Room has been more than counter-balanced by large increases in the numbers using the Gymnasium and Baths. Twenty-two free entertainments for Children have been given on Monday evenings during the winter of 1908-9, with as great success as marked the first series. So popular, indeed, were these entertainments that, owing to lack of accommodation, many children were unable to obtain admission, but it is hoped that in the near future the finances of the Borough will admit of more accommodation being provided.

In October last Professor W. H. Hudson commenced at the Town Hall his three years' course of lectures on "The Development of Literatures" in connection with the University of London, and during the Session he has lectured to large audiences on Hebrew, Greek and Latin Literature, whilst in the Summer Term of 1909 he will deal with the "Nibelungenlied" and Dante. A course of five lectures on the "History of London" was also delivered by Mr. S. K. Ratcliffe at the Town Hall in January and February.

The usual detailed statistical information, lists of donors to the Libraries and Museum, &c., are appended.

WILLIAM MELVILLE, *Chairman.*

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BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,

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The Libraries transferred to the Vestry, 26th March, 1896.

The Borough Council succeeded the Vestry as Library Authority,  
9th November, 1900.

Museum, Gymnasium, &c., Plough Road, opened, 29th September,  
1906.



# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	..	..	..	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	..	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233
1907-08	108,546	193,218	69,134	56,462	427,360	55,937
1908-09	109,401	199,386	65,829	52,671	427,287	56,879

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1908	..	17,374
„ „ added 1908-1909	.. ..	2,004
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	669
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1909	.. ..	18,709
„ „ issued 1908-1909	.. ..	109,401
Daily average	.. ..	306
Number of Volumes bound	.. ..	378

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1908	..	21,269
„ „ added 1908-1909	.. ..	721
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	1,146
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1909	.. ..	20,844
„ „ issued 1908-1909	.. ..	199,386
Daily average	.. ..	678
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	99,584
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1908	.. ..	6,388
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1909	.. ..	10,047
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	1,728
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	698
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	1,534
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	978
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	14
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	.. ..	163

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, MARCH 31st, 1909.

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Class 0	General Works	..	..	..	..	..	4,505
„ 1	Philosophy	..	..	..	..	..	235
„ 2	Religion	..	..	..	..	..	1,098
„ 3	Sociology	..	..	..	..	..	2,699
„ 4	Philology	..	..	..	..	..	192
„ 5	Natural Science	..	..	..	..	..	1,092
„ 6	Useful Arts	..	..	..	..	..	984
„ 7	Fine Arts	..	..	..	..	..	935
„ 8	Literature	..	..	..	..	..	2,406
„ 9	History	..	..	..	..	..	4,563
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							18,709

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDI-  
TIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1908-1909.

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			1908.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1909.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	..	1,182	39	—	1,221
„ B	Sociology	.. ..	913	33	1	945
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	.. ..	2,314	55	—	2,369
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	..	6,216	163	—	6,379
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	..	752	15	—	767
„ F	Prose Fiction	.. ..	5,770	342	774	5,338
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	..	2,432	52	—	2,484
„ H	Magazines	.. ..	366	5	371	—
„ J	Juvenile Literature	..	1,324	17	—	1,341
Totals			<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
			21,269	721	1,146	20,844

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1908, to  
MARCH 31st, 1909.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1908.													
April ..	1,328	327	636	693	662	1,033	803	793	1,289	1,379	8,943	30	298
May ..	1,530	324	604	668	589	969	824	765	1,369	1,416	9,058	31	292
June ..	1,260	263	508	539	601	847	723	740	1,148	1,273	7,902	30	263
July ..	967	219	416	413	418	601	553	494	854	894	5,829	24	242
August ..	1,251	327	507	510	465	703	663	635	957	1,143	7,161	31	231
September	1,424	336	539	597	603	947	784	757	1,254	1,307	8,548	30	284
October ..	1,614	411	670	712	676	1,135	896	801	1,376	1,426	9,717	31	313
November ..	1,755	453	730	756	718	982	930	828	1,231	1,492	9,875	30	329
December	1,640	470	683	695	657	978	904	851	1,373	1,484	9,735	30	324
1909.													
January ..	1,724	482	731	817	834	1,143	1,023	931	1,570	1,602	10,857	31	350
February ..	1,619	508	784	781	774	1,116	986	848	1,491	1,462	10,369	28	370
March ..	1,764	625	843	867	822	1,215	1,046	970	1,534	1,721	11,407	31	367
Totals ..	17,876	4,745	7,651	8,048	7,819	11,669	10,135	9,413	15,446	16,599	109,401	357	306

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1908-1909.

Total issue (April 1st, 1908, to March 31st, 1909)	..	..	2,412
Sundays open .. .. .	..	..	51
Average Sunday issue .. .. .	..	..	47



TABLE  
SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1908, TO  
MARCH 31st, 1909.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Magazines.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1908.												
April ..	140	159	1,039	1,038	173	10,977	531	161	2,953	17,171	24	715
May ..	168	148	1,090	1,036	197	10,340	584	126	2,610	16,299	26	626
June ..	95	101	684	708	131	6,718	431	100	1,789	10,757	24	448
July ..	86	68	559	462	68	5,472	260	63	1,168	8,206	15	547
August ..	126	123	918	769	119	9,855	440	131	2,224	14,705	25	588
September	144	170	1,250	1,017	154	11,322	578	147	2,603	17,385	26	668
October ..	172	219	1,401	1,176	177	12,164	597	175	3,437	19,518	27	722
November	190	228	1,303	1,079	198	11,549	649	161	3,846	19,203	25	768
December	170	146	1,052	886	219	10,121	448	143	3,430	16,615	25	664
1909.												
January ..	189	202	1,231	1,366	241	12,793	643	—	3,795	20,460	26	786
February ..	193	223	1,329	1,304	264	11,456	619	—	3,135	18,523	24	771
March ..	171	199	1,444	1,498	206	13,082	698	—	3,246	20,544	27	760
Totals ..	1,844	1,986	13,300	12,339	2,147	125,849	6,478	1,207	34,236	199,386	294	678



## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened 30th September, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1908	..	9,063
„ „ added 1908-1909	.. ..	87
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	108
„ „ in stock on March 31st, 1909	..	9,042
„ „ issued 1908-1909	.. ..	65,829
Daily average	.. ..	219
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	..	27,940
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1908	..	1,954
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1909	..	3,088
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	537
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	113
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	819
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	99
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	2
„ destroyed and paid for by Health Department	..	61

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1908-1909.

		1908.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1909.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy ..	310	2	1	311
„ B	Sociology .. ..	282	3	—	285
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History .. ..	667	3	—	670
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ..	2,054	37	10	2,081
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ..	328	6	—	334
„ F	Prose Fiction .. ..	3,564	13	76	3,501
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature ..	731	12	—	743
„ H	Magazines .. ..	3	—	—	3
„ J	Juvenile Literature ..	831	4	14	821
Works of Reference	.. ..	293	7	7	293
Totals	.. ..	9,063	87	108	9,042

TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS  
FROM APRIL 1st, 1908, to MARCH 31st, 1909.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1908.											
April ..	34	18	119	203	57	4,143	83	1,560	6,217	24	259
May ..	32	25	136	217	33	3,908	85	1,368	5,804	26	223
June ..	19	29	102	150	22	2,792	50	919	4,083	24	170
July ..	24	25	106	190	19	2,716	79	732	3,891	21	185
August ..	38	41	116	214	24	3,328	93	843	4,697	25	187
September	27	34	156	237	29	3,704	83	965	5,235	26	201
October ..	27	38	170	252	61	4,186	87	934	5,755	27	213
November ..	22	30	155	269	49	4,021	120	1,159	5,825	25	233
December ..	29	29	160	256	38	3,631	102	1,309	5,554	25	222
1909.											
January ..	22	33	197	309	29	4,334	106	1,436	6,466	26	248
February ..	26	31	185	313	37	4,000	101	1,107	5,800	24	241
March ..	35	25	174	313	48	4,516	124	1,267	6,502	27	240
Totals ..	335	358	1,776	2,923	446	45,279	1,113	13,599	65,829	300	219

## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1908	..	8,231
„ „ added 1908-1909	.. ..	53
„ „ in Stock March 31st, 1909	.. ..	8,284
„ „ issued 1908-1909	.. ..	52,671
Daily average	.. ..	175
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	24,141
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1908	.. ..	1,338
„ „ on March 31st, 1909	.. ..	1,591
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	433
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	59
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	399
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	120
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	4
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		26

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1908-1909.

		1908.	Addi- tions.	1909.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy ..	466	1	467
„ B	Sociology .. ..	296	—	296
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History .. ..	599	3	602
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels ..	1,587	34	1,621
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ..	292	1	293
„ F	Prose Fiction .. ..	3,530	10	3,540
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature ..	629	2	631
„ H	Magazines .. ..	5	—	5
„ J	Juvenile Literature ..	827	2	829
	Totals .. ..	8,231	53	8,284

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1st, 1908, TO MARCH 31st, 1909.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous. Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1908.											
April ..	16	6	83	123	57	3,128	64	1,133	4,610	24	192
May ..	20	16	73	120	40	3,136	58	1,101	4,564	26	175
June ..	10	13	61	111	26	2,243	40	813	3,317	24	138
July ..	16	13	54	99	24	2,125	40	578	2,949	21	140
August ..	19	12	69	112	34	2,818	60	707	3,831	25	153
September	14	33	88	124	38	3,142	69	806	4,314	26	165
October ..	22	21	97	175	36	3,256	61	1,136	4,804	27	177
November ..	19	36	109	239	40	3,160	91	1,337	5,031	25	201
December ..	22	23	83	160	47	2,781	63	1,188	4,367	25	174
1909.											
January ..	23	19	133	162	57	3,469	81	1,140	5,084	26	195
February ..	24	16	101	176	29	3,129	88	984	4,547	24	189
March ..	22	20	116	191	45	3,669	81	1,109	5,253	27	194
Totals ..	227	228	1,067	1,792	473	36,056	796	12,032	52,671	300	175



## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &amp;c.

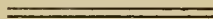
	Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Accountants, Central Association of, 65 London Wall, E.C. One periodical quarterly (three copies) .. ..	1	
Accountants and Auditors, Society of, 4 King Street, E.C. One periodical monthly (three copies) .. ..	1	
Andrews, A., 64 Marney Road, S.W. One periodical monthly .. ..	1	
Anonymous .. ..	2	
Antoine, P., 62 Parma Crescent, S.W. .. ..	2	
Australia, Commonwealth of, 72 Victoria Street, S.W. Australian Parliamentary Debates (as issued) ..	2	
Baptist Union, Baptist Church House, Southampton Row, W.C. .. ..	1	
Barnes, Howarth, the late, "Cranleigh," North Side, Clap- ham Common, S.W. .. ..	1	
Bartlett, J. H., 11 Rusham Road, S.W. One periodical quarterly (two copies) .. ..		
Battersea Borough Council (Minutes of Proceedings as issued, Minutes of the London County Council, and one periodical monthly, six copies) .. ..	15	
Beadell, H. B., 31, Montholme Road, S.W. One periodi- cal monthly .. ..		
Benn, A. Shirley, L.C.C., 18 Bolton Gardens, S.W. Two maps .. ..		
Bonham, F. J., "Penrose," Wakehurst Road, S.W. One periodical monthly (two copies) .. ..		
Borley, G. W., 24 Victoria Road, S.W. One periodical monthly .. ..		
British and Foreign Unitarian Association, Essex Hall, Essex Street, W.C. .. ..	2	
British Museum, Trustees of .. ..	9	
Brooks, Miss M., 20 Chivalry Road, S.W. .. ..	13	
Brown, C. E., 143 Bennerley Road, S.W. One periodical monthly .. ..		
Bureau of Education, Washington, U.S.A. .. ..	3	
Burns, Right Hon. John, M.P., "Athelstan," 37 Lavender Gardens, S.W. .. ..	18	
Canada, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa .. ..	1	
Canada, Department of the Interior, Ottawa .. ..	4	
Carter, J. E., 295, Friern Road, East Dulwich. One periodical monthly .. ..		
Catholic Reading Guild .. ..	6	
Chicago, Bureau of Statistics, and Municipal Library. Six parts unbound .. ..		
Chicago City Council, U.S.A. .. ..	1	
City and Guilds of London Institute, Exhibition Road, S.W. ... ..	2	
Co-operative Brotherhood Trust, Ltd., 37 Newington Green Road, N. One periodical monthly (four copies)		
Dove, W. T., 97 Marney Road, S.W. One periodical monthly .. ..		
Dunkerly, Miss. One periodical monthly .. ..		
Erödi, Dr. B., President of the Hungarian Educational Section at Earl's Court, 1908 .. ..	4	



	Vols.	Pamph- lets.
First Church of Christ Scientist, Sloane Terrace, S.W. One periodical daily (three copies), one periodical weekly (three copies), one periodical monthly (three copies) and one periodical quarterly .. .. .	4	
Geological Survey of Canada, Ottawa. Thirty maps ..	5	9
Glossop, Rev. J. F. G., St. Mark's Vicarage, Spencer Park, S.W. One periodical monthly .. .. .		
Great Western Railway. One reading case .. .. .		
Greening, Messrs. & Co., 91, St. Martin's Lane, W.C. ..	1	
H.M. Stationery Office .. .. .	10	
Hammersmith Borough Council .. .. .	1	
Hampton's Scholastic Directory Co., 65 Loughborough Road, S.W. .. .. .	1	
Hazellhurst, John, c/o, T. Richards, Esq., Queen's Chambers, Colmore Row, Birmingham .. .. .	2	
Hearts of Oak Benefit Society, Euston Road, N.W. ..	6	
Hicks Brothers Publishing Co., 37 Wright Street, Hull ..	1	
Hogg, J. E., 10 Avenue Mansions, Sisters Avenue, S.W. ..	1	
Hogg, J. F., 16a Kathleen Road, S.W. One periodical weekly and two periodicals monthly .. .. .		
Incorporated British College of Physical Education, 5-7 Johnson Street, W. .. .. .	1	
Institute of Chemistry of Great Britain and Ireland, 30 Bloomsbury Square, W.C. .. .. .		1
International Arbitration League, 11 Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C. One periodical monthly (four copies) and four reading cases .. .. .		
International Buddhist Society. One periodical quarterly .. .. .		
Jago, R. P., 21 Grandison Road, S.W. .. .. .	51	
James, C., 33 Newhall Street, Birmingham .. .. .	1	
Knightly, A., 46 Brook Street, Grosvenor Square, W. One periodical quarterly .. .. .		
Layton, Messrs. C. and E., 56 Farringdon Street, E.C. ..	2	
Leaver, J., 160 Sheepcote Lane, S.W. .. .. .	1	
Lee, A. E., 51 Worfield St., S.W. One periodical monthly .. .. .		
Leeds University .. .. .	1	
London County Council (Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Statements of Committees as issued and one periodical weekly, four copies) .. .. .	8	
London County Council School of Photo-Engraving and Lithography, 6 Bolt Court, E.C. .. .. .	1	
London Directory Co., 25 Abchurch Lane, E.C. .. .. .	5	
Long, G. H., 4 West Side, Wandsworth Common, S.W. ..	1	
Looz-Block, Prince Edouard de, 22 Rue des Architectes, Paris .. .. .	2	
McKinney, S. B. G., c/o. Messrs. Oliphant, Anderson & Ferrier, 21 Paternoster Square, E.C. .. .. .	3	
Macrory, Dr. L. G. F., Clifton House, Cambridge Road, S.W. Assignat, or Bank Note, for 125 francs issued in Paris during the Reign of Terror, 1793 .. .. .		
Mansion House Council on Dwellings of the Poor .. .. .		8
Mather, Sir William, 16 Kensington Palace Gardens, W... .. .	1	
Metcalf, Rev. F. W., 13 Sisters Avenue, S.W. One periodical monthly .. .. .		
Metropolitan Asylums Board .. .. .	1	
Miles, W. T., 108 Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical monthly .. .. .		
Mitchell, Messrs. C. & Co., 1-2 Snow Hill, E.C. .. .. .	1	

	Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Morgan, Charles, "Craven Villa," 151 Bennerley Road, S.W. . . . .	1	
Musicians, Incorporated Society of, 19 Berners Street, W. . . . .	1	1
National Boiler and General Insurance Co., 22 St. Ann's Square, Manchester . . . . .	2	
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National Union of Conservative and Constitutional Associations, St. Stephen's Chambers, Westminster, S.W. One periodical monthly . . . . .		
National Union of Teachers . . . . .	1	
New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb . . . . .		7
New York State Education Department . . . . .	1	
New Zealand, High Commissioner for, 13 Victoria Street, S.W. One map . . . . .	7	8
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Norton, Miss V., 46 Altenburg Gardens, S.W. . . . .	4	
Norwich Union Life Insurance Society, 10 Southwark Street, S.E. . . . .	1	
Oddfellows, Independent Order of (M.U.). One periodical monthly . . . . .		
Orchestral Association, 28, Gerrard Street, W. One periodical monthly . . . . .		
Paton, Messrs. J. & J., 143 Cannon Street, E.C. . . . .	1	
Planinsky, G. F., "Maritza," Thornhill Road, Croydon . . . . .	1	
Portal, W. R., Tonge House, York Road, West Norwood. One hundred and sixty-two parts unbound . . . . .	9	
Powell, Major B. F. S. Baden-, c/o. Messrs. King, Sell & Olding, 27 Chancery Lane, W.C. . . . .	3	
Proctor, H., 146 Mallinson Road, S.W. Two periodicals weekly and seven periodicals monthly . . . . .	4	
Proportional Representation Society. One periodical monthly (three copies) . . . . .		
Raymond, Professor G. L., c/o. Publishers . . . . .	4	
Rechabites, Independent Order of, Canon Farrar Tent, Battersea. One periodical monthly (four copies) . . . . .		
Research Defence Society, 70, Harley Street, W . . . . .		1
Richards, E. Grant, 7 Carlton Street, W. . . . .	1	
Sands, Messrs. & Co., 23 Bedford Street, W.C. . . . .	1	
"Schoolmistress," Publishers of, 149 Fleet Street, E.C. . . . .	1	
Shorthouse, E. . . . .	3	
Simpkin, Marshall, Messrs. & Co., Paternoster Row, E.C. . . . .	1	
Simpson, H. G., 147 Leathwaite Road, S.W. One periodical weekly (four copies) . . . . .		
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Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A. . . . .	1	
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Stephens, Mrs., 11 Berkeley Street, W. . . . .	8	
Stoke Newington Public Library. . . . .	1	
Tariff Reform League, 7 Victoria Street, S.W. One periodical monthly . . . . .		
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	Vols.	Pamph- lets.
Thom, Messrs. A. & Co., 87-89 Abbey Street, Dublin ..	1	
Tonic Sol-fa College, 27 Finsbury Square, E.C. ..	1	
Trades Union Congress, 42-44 Effingham House, Arundel Street, W.C. .. .. .	2	
Trinity College of Music, London.. .. .	1	
United Kingdom College, Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical twice weekly .. .. .		
University Correspondence College .. .. .	1	
University Tutorial Press, Ltd., 157 Drury Lane, W.C. ..	4	
Western Australia, Agent-General for, 15 Victoria Street, S.W. .. .. .	1	
Wallace, Canon C., Ascension Vicarage, Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical monthly .. .. .		
Whitaker, J. & Sons, Ltd., 12 Warwick Lane, E.C. ..	1	
Women's Freedom League (Battersea Branch). One periodical weekly (three copies) .. .. .		
Women's National Anti-Suffrage League, Caxton House, Tothill Street, Westminster. One periodical monthly and one reading case .. .. .		
Women's Social and Political Union (Battersea Branch). One periodical weekly .. .. .		
Worthy, F. W., 170 Battersea Park Road, S.W. Two Prints of Battersea and Chelsea. One periodical weekly .. .. .		
Yorkshire Parish Register Society, 63 Albion Street, Leeds	2	



PUBLIC LIBRARIES :—*Reports or Catalogues have been received from the following :—*

Aberdeen	Harlesden
Accrington	Hartlepool
Acton	Hartlepool, West
Altrincham	Hornsey
Ashton-under-Lyne	Hove
Aston Manor	Hyde
Barnsley	Ipswich
Barrow-in-Furness	Kensal Rise
Barry	Kettering
Birmingham	Kidderminster
Blackburn	Kilburn
Bolton	Kimberley (South Africa)
Bootle	Kingston-upon-Thames
Bournemouth	Leeds
Bradford	Leek (Nicholson Institute)
Brighton	Leicester
Bristol	Leigh
Bromley (Kent)	Leyland
Bury	Leyton
Buxton	Lincoln
Cambridge	Liverpool
Cambridge (University)	London :—
Cardiff	Bishopsgate Foundation Institute
Chorley	Cripplegate Foundation Institute
Cirencester	Finsbury
Clitheroe	Hammersmith
Colchester	Hampstead
Cork	St. Bride Foundation Institute
Croydon	Shoreditch
Darlington	Wandsworth
Derby	Westminster
Devonport	Loughborough
Dewsbury	Maidenhead
Dukinfield	Manchester (John Rylands)
Dundee	Middlesbrough
Ealing	Nelson
Eccles	New South Wales (Australia)
Edinburgh	Newcastle-under-Lyme
Folkestone	Newcastle-upon-Tyne
Glasgow (Stirling's and Glasgow)	Norwich
Gloucester	Nottingham
Great Yarmouth	Ohashi (Japan)
Hamburg (Germany)	Oldbury
Hanley	Osaka (Japan)
	Oxford (Bodleian)
	Penarth
	Perth



Plymouth  
 Portsmouth  
 Preston  
 Redruth  
 Richmond (Surrey)  
 Rochdale  
 Rugby  
 Runcorn  
 St. Helens  
 Salford  
 Smethwick  
 South Shields  
 Stafford  
 Stoke Newington  
 Tokyo (Imperial) Japan  
 Tottenham  
 Twickenham  
 Tynemouth  
 United States of America :—  
     Baltimore (Enoch Pratt)  
     Chicago

United States of America  
                                   (*Continued*)—  
     Grand Rapids (Mich.)  
     Los Angeles  
     New York State  
     New York (Astor, Lenox and  
                                   Tilden Foundations)  
     New York (Mercantile)  
     St. Louis (Mercantile)  
     Salem (Mass.)  
 Walthamstow  
 Watford  
 West Bromwich  
 Weston-Super-Mare  
 Whitehaven  
 Widnes  
 Wigan  
 Windsor (Canada)  
 Wolverhampton  
 Worcester  
 York





The following Newspapers and Periodicals are regularly presented by the Publishers :—

## DAILY.

Daily News  
Daily Telegraph

## WEEKLY.

Alliance News  
Aspirant  
Australasian World  
Baker and Confectioner  
Battersea Borough News  
Blackpool Herald  
Blackpool Times  
Blackpool, etc., Gazette News  
Board of Trade Journal  
British Journal of Photography  
Broad Arrow  
Canada  
Canadian Gazette  
Civil Service Candidate  
Civil Service Competitor  
Civil Service Hints  
Civil Service Weekly  
Clapham Observer  
Clarion  
Contractors' Record  
Dalton's Advertiser  
Drapers' Record  
Electrical Engineer  
Engineering Markets  
Estates Gazette  
Gardeners' Chronicle  
Grocers' Gazette  
India  
Inquirer  
Insurance Record  
Investors' Guardian  
Investors' Review  
Lambeth Gazette  
Licensing World  
Local Government Chronicle  
Local Government Journal  
Motor Traction  
Municipal Gazette  
New Century Path  
Norwood Press  
Patents Journal  
Phonetic Journal  
Policy  
Poor Law Officers' Journal  
Practical Engineer  
Railway Review  
Schoolmistress

WEEKLY (*Continued*).

Surrey Comet  
Timber  
Trade Marks Journal  
"What's On"  
Woodworker  
Zuid Afrikaansche Post

## FORTNIGHTLY.

Certificate Examiner  
Charity Record  
University Correspondent

## MONTHLY.

Advertising World  
Agricultural Economist  
Anglo Russian  
Animals' Friend  
Brotherhood  
Church Gazette  
Churchman  
Civil Service Observer  
Clerks of Works Association  
Concord  
Co-partnership  
Co-partnership Journal (South  
Metropolitan Gas Co.)  
Cowkeeper and Dairyman's  
Deceased Seamen (Official List)  
Educational Times  
Faith  
Fire and Water  
Free Sunday Advocate  
Friend of Israel  
Garden City  
Grocers' Assistant  
Health Record  
Herald of Health  
Herald of the Cross  
Horological Journal  
Humanitarian  
Indian Magazine and Review  
Insurance Agent  
Labour Gazette  
Liberal Monthly  
Liberator  
Liberty Review  
Literary Guide  
Manual Training  
Musical Herald

## MONTHLY (Continued).

National Church  
Navy League Journal  
New Church Magazine  
Our Own Gazette  
Our Waifs and Strays  
Patents  
Philanthropist  
Philatelic Journal  
Positivist Review  
R.N.V.R. Magazine  
Railway Clerk  
Review of Religions  
Rural World  
Sales and Wants Advertiser  
Socialist Standard  
South Place Magazine  
State Correspondent  
Stationery World  
Student's Journal (Graham's  
Phonography)  
Success Ladder  
Travellers' Gazette

## MONTHLY (Continued).

Vulcan  
Women's Employment  
Zoophilist

BI-MONTHLY.

## War or Brotherhood

QUARTERLY.

Anti-Slavery Reporter  
Economic Journal  
Emigrants' Information Office  
Circulars  
Englishwoman's Review  
Free Russia  
Herald of the Golden Age  
Rational Journal  
This Way



## LIST OF PUBLICATIONS.

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CATALOGUES.

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LAMMAS HALL BRANCH. Catalogue of the Lending Library. 88 pp., 8vo. 1888. 3d. *Out of print.*

————Second Edition. 96 pp., 8vo. 1889. 3d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of the Lending Department. 188 pp., 8vo. 1890. 6d. *Out of print.*

LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH. Catalogue of the Lending Library. 79 pp., 8vo. 1890. 3d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of the Lending Department. Second Edition. 226 pp., 8vo. 1892. 6d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.) 67 pp., 16mo. 1894. 2d. *Out of print.*

LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH. Supplement to the Catalogue of the Lending Library. 15 pp., 8vo. 1894. 2d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.) Second Edition. 70 pp., 16mo. 1895. 2d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Supplementary Catalogue of the Lending Department. 50 pp., 8vo. 1896. 1d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key, Third Edition, and Author Catalogue of Fiction. 129 pp., 16mo. 1897. 2d. *Out of print.*

LAMMAS HALL BRANCH. Catalogue of the Lending Library. Third Edition. 142 pp., 8vo. 1897. 3d., reduced to 2d.

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of the Lending Department. Third Edition. 344 pp., 8vo. 1898. 9d. *Out of print.*

LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH. Catalogue of the Lending Library. Second Edition. 170 pp., 8vo. 1899. 6d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of Juvenile Literature. (Class J.) 109 pp., 16mo. 1900. 1d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.) Fourth Edition. 82 pp., 16mo. 1900. 2d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Supplementary Catalogue of the Lending Department. 90 pp., 8vo. 1901. 3d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.) Fifth Edition. 85 pp., 16mo. 1901. 2d. *Out of print.*

CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of Juvenile Literature (Class J. Second Edition. 129 pp., 16mo. 1902. 1d. *Out of print.*

- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.) Sixth Edition. 83 pp., 16mo. 1903. 2d. *Out of print.*
- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Supplementary Catalogue of the Lending Department, 1898-1904. 167 pp., 8vo. 1904. 6d.
- LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH. Supplementary Catalogue of the Lending Library, 1899-1904. 54 pp., 8vo. 1904. 3d.
- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Class List of Natural Science, Useful Arts, and Fine Arts, in the Lending Department. 96 pp., 8vo. 1905. 2d.
- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Catalogue of Juvenile Literature (Class J.) Third Edition. 131 pp., 16mo. 1905. 1d.
- LAMMAS HALL BRANCH. Supplementary Catalogue of the Lending Library, 1897-1906. 66 pp., 8vo. 1906. 2d.
- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator Key of Class F. (Fiction.) Seventh Edition. 90 pp., 16mo. 1906. 2d. *Out of print.*
- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Class List of Sociology in the Lending Department. 46 pp., 8vo. 1907. 2d.
- LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH. Indicator Key of Class F. (Fiction.) 54 pp., 16mo. 1907. 2d.
- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Class List of History in the Lending Department. 232 pp., 8vo. 1908. 6d.
- LAMMAS HALL BRANCH. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.) 54 pp., 16mo. 1908. 2d.
- CENTRAL LIBRARY. Indicator-Key of Class F. (Fiction.) Eighth Edition. 73 pp., 16mo. 1908. 2d.
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# PLOUGH ROAD BATHS, MUSEUM AND RECREATION ROOM.

Opened September, 1906.

SUMMARY ACCOUNT OF VISITORS, ETC., FROM APRIL 1ST, 1908, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1909.

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Number of Adult Visitors to the Gymnasium .. ..	1,054
„ Juvenile „ „ .. ..	2,512
Amount received for use of Gymnasium .. ..	£19 5s. 0d.
Number of Visitors to the Recreation Room .. ..	8,249
Amount received for use of „ „ .. ..	£35 18s. 11d.
„ „ „ Billiard Tables .. ..	£77 16s. 5d.
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„ Female „ .. ..	3,391
Amount received for use of Baths .. ..	£167 3s. 1d.

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Ash, E. T., 52 Galveston Road, Putney, S.W.

Fossil screw shell in Oolite limestone.

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Frame containing paper money and coins issued in South Africa at the time of the late war.

Fifty-dollar note of the Confederate Government of America, dated February 17th, 1864.

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Eleven copper coins and tokens.

Brown, G. F., 47, Netherwood Road, West Kensington.

Collection of one hundred and nine chalk fossils.

Callender's Cable and Construction Company, Ltd., Hamilton House, Victoria Embankment, W.C.

Case containing sections of electric cables of various dimensions and specimens of switch and fuse boxes.

Hendy, W. S., 8 Sabine Road, S.W.

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Karr, H. W. Seton-, 31 Lingfield Road, Wimbledon.

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Three specimens of gold quartz from the South African mines.

Six sea shells from South Africa.

Rogers, G., 16 Doddington Grove, S.W.

Turned stone ball, on marble pedestal, found at Highgate in 1812.

Two marble carvings from the bedroom of Charles II., Tring Park.

Sowton, Mrs. M., 3 Louvaine Road, S.W.

Skin of a python, from Ceylon.

Tunbridge, Mrs. W., 23 Newcomen Road, S.W.

Model of a farm.



# BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

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## TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

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**1909-10.**

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London:  
WIGHTMAN & CO., LIMITED, OLD WESTMINSTER PRESS,  
REGENCY STREET, S.W.

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1910.

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# REPORT.



The Library Committee submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1910.

The number of registered borrowers is **14,877**, of whom **9,703** are enrolled at the Central Library, **3,040** at Lurline Gardens, and **2,134** at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is **57,523**, of which **19,208** are in the Reference Department, and **21,057** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **8,966** at Lurline Gardens, and **8,292** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **868** volumes, **386** of these having been presented and **482** purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was **434,899**, of which **115,688** were given out in the Reference Department, and **201,551** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **67,163** at Lurline Gardens, and **50,497** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were **427,287**.

Among the more important donations received during the year mention should be made of the gift from the Executors of the late Rev. Dawson Burns of a large selection from his library consisting of upwards of a thousand volumes.

The possibility of improving the facilities offered at the Plough Road Institution is engaging our attention, and we hope by a re-arrangement of the articles exhibited and with the aid of gifts and



loans from Government collections and elsewhere, to give the institution a more distinctly educational character than it appears to possess at present.

We have decided not to proceed with the printing of the Reference Library Catalogue, as we consider that the large sum of money involved in its production might be more usefully employed, especially as there appears to be no demand for a printed catalogue, and we have given instructions for a new catalogue of the Lurline Gardens Branch to be prepared instead.

In January last, we had before us a resolution passed by the Library Association at its Annual Meeting, at Sheffield, in September, 1909, in the following terms, viz. :—

“That this meeting of the Library Association urges Library Authorities to adopt a standard of educational requirements from candidates for Assistantships in Libraries not lower than that of the Junior Oxford and Cambridge Local Examinations.”

Upon giving this resolution our consideration we were glad to find ourselves in agreement with the Library Association upon a subject which is of considerable importance, and we submitted the following recommendation to the Council, viz. :—

“That in future applicants for posts in the Libraries be required to show that they possess qualifications not lower than those of the Junior Oxford and Cambridge Local Examinations.”

This recommendation was adopted by the Council on January 26th, 1910, and will affect all appointments to the Library Staff in future.

The University Extension Lectures have been continued at the Town Hall, Professor W. H. Hudson giving the second year's portion of his course of lectures on “The Development of Litera-

tures " to large audiences. The period dealt with extended from Chaucer to Swift among British authors, and the foreign writers included Montaigne and Cervantes.

The usual detailed statistical information, lists of donors to the Libraries and Museum, &c., are appended.

L. S. McMANUS, *Chairman*.

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian*.

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,

LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

18th April, 1910.

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## MEMORANDA RELATING TO THE BOROUGH OF BATTERSEA.

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Population (1901), 168,896.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,156 acres.

Rateable value, £1,051,020.

Amount produced by penny rate, £3,985.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16th March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1st June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20th July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27th September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25th October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26th March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30th September, 1890.

The Libraries transferred to the Vestry, 26th March, 1896.

The Borough Council succeeded the Vestry as Library Authority,  
9th November, 1900.

Museum, Gymnasium, &c., Plough Road, opened, 29th September,  
1906.

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	..	..	..	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	..	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233
1907-08	108,546	193,218	69,134	56,462	427,360	55,937
1908-09	109,401	199,386	65,829	52,671	427,287	56,879
1909-10	115,688	201,551	67,163	50,497	434,899	57,523

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1909	..	18,709
„ „ added 1909-1910	.. ..	527
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	28
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1910	.. ..	19,208
„ „ issued 1909-1910	.. ..	115,688
Daily average	.. ..	324
Number of Volumes bound	.. ..	179

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1909	..	20,844
„ „ added 1909-1910	.. ..	289
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	76
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1910	.. ..	21,057
„ „ issued 1909-1910	.. ..	201,551
Daily average	.. ..	676
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	105,283
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1909	.. ..	5,699
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1910	.. ..	9,703
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	1,379
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	647
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	925
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	810
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	18
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	.. ..	95



CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDI-  
TIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1909-1910.

				1909.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1910.
Class 0	General Works	..	..	4,505	85	3	4,587
„ 1	Philosophy	..	..	235	25	—	260
„ 2	Religion	..	..	1,098	41	3	1,136
„ 3	Sociology	..	..	2,699	123	5	2,817
„ 4	Philology	..	..	192	3	—	195
„ 5	Natural Science	..	..	1,092	32	—	1,124
„ 6	Useful Arts	..	..	984	25	16	993
„ 7	Fine Arts	..	..	935	13	—	948
„ 8	Literature	..	..	2,406	94	1	2,499
„ 9	History	..	..	4,563	86	—	4,649
Totals				18,709	527	28	19,208

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDI-  
TIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1909-1910.

				1909.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1910.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	..		1,221	24	—	1,245
„ B	Sociology	..	..	945	22	1	966
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	..	..	2,369	46	4	2,411
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	..		6,379	70	1	6,448
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	..		767	11	—	778
„ F	Prose Fiction	..	..	5,338	41	23	5,356
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	..		2,484	37	3	2,518
„ J	Juvenile Literature	..		1,341	38	44	1,335
Totals				20,844	289	76	21,057

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1909, to  
MARCH 31st, 1910.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1909.													
April ..	1,767	579	767	835	791	1,063	914	896	1,582	1,656	10,850	30	361
May ..	1,617	515	766	753	754	981	898	838	1,436	1,567	10,125	31	326
June ..	1,405	458	567	614	590	787	726	659	1,228	1,333	8,367	30	278
July ..	1,077	305	427	451	462	646	565	564	926	1,023	6,446	24	268
August ..	1,303	427	494	547	596	747	741	649	1,115	1,260	7,879	31	254
September	1,461	413	498	648	649	841	780	707	1,275	1,445	8,717	30	290
October ..	1,587	557	713	742	784	1,070	892	883	1,456	1,592	10,276	31	331
November ..	1,716	536	710	754	780	1,035	909	863	1,463	1,635	10,401	30	346
December	1,656	491	700	728	709	956	873	894	1,393	1,629	10,029	30	334
1910.													
January ..	1,760	582	722	873	802	1,079	1,014	917	1,582	1,712	11,043	31	356
February ..	1,613	541	668	740	703	954	902	780	1,466	1,552	9,919	28	354
March ..	2,034	583	732	830	769	1,151	1,054	947	1,693	1,843	11,636	31	375
Totals ..	18,996	5,987	7,764	8,515	8,389	11,310	10,268	9,597	16,615	18,247	115,688	357	324

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1909-1910.

Total issue (April 1st, 1909, to March 31st, 1910)	..	..	2,654
Sundays open .. .. .	..	..	51
Average Sunday issue .. .. .	..	..	52

TABLE  
SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1909, to  
MARCH 31st, 1910.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1909.											
April ..	144	158	1,237	1,065	222	11,363	607	2,825	17,621	24	734
May ..	152	138	1,079	1,051	221	10,609	532	2,288	16,070	25	642
June ..	106	148	944	862	157	8,717	467	1,891	13,292	25	531
July ..	99	100	801	706	124	8,077	384	1,862	12,153	21	578
August ..	147	118	864	876	140	9,568	410	2,289	14,412	25	576
September	178	182	1,125	1,096	172	10,978	560	2,644	16,935	26	651
October ..	179	209	1,332	1,230	233	12,287	665	3,177	19,312	26	742
November	177	175	1,334	1,168	207	11,927	634	3,758	19,380	26	745
December	156	154	1,085	957	177	10,298	523	2,917	16,267	25	650
1910.											
January ..	171	213	1,238	1,154	195	12,073	629	3,251	18,924	26	727
February ..	189	200	1,266	1,287	215	11,652	632	3,025	18,466	24	769
March ..	179	186	1,332	1,240	231	11,805	610	3,136	18,719	25	748
Totals ..	1,877	1,981	13,637	12,692	2,294	129,354	6,653	33,063	201,551	298	676

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened 30th September, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1909	..	9,042
„ „ added 1909-1910	.. ..	36
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	112
„ „ in stock on March 31st, 1910	..	8,966
„ „ issued 1909-1910	.. ..	67,163
Daily average	.. ..	225
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	..	29,832
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1909	..	1,892
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1910	..	3,040
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	498
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	81
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	378
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	..	304
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	2
„ destroyed and paid for by Health Department	..	39

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1909-1910.

		1909.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1910.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy ..	311	6	—	317
„ B	Sociology .. ..	285	2	—	287
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History .. ..	670	3	—	673
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ..	2,081	10	—	2,091
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ..	334	3	—	337
„ F	Prose Fiction .. ..	3,501	6	108	3,399
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature ..	743	—	—	743
„ H	Magazines .. ..	3	—	—	3
„ J	Juvenile Literature ..	821	—	4	817
Works of Reference	.. ..	293	6	—	299
Totals	.. ..	9,042	36	112	8,966



## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS  
FROM APRIL 1st, 1909, to MARCH 31st, 1910.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1909.											
April ..	35	24	168	276	46	3,971	133	1,040	5,693	24	237
May ..	33	30	146	228	43	3,726	121	1,080	5,407	25	216
June ..	23	20	130	209	19	3,195	85	911	4,592	25	183
July ..	32	16	108	177	18	2,866	64	846	4,127	21	196
August ..	47	16	144	251	35	3,728	93	1,328	5,642	25	225
September	29	41	170	258	57	4,027	74	1,410	6,066	26	233
October ..	38	52	197	316	61	4,159	91	1,652	6,566	26	252
November ..	33	34	179	265	59	4,024	94	1,685	6,373	26	245
December ..	29	39	131	202	30	3,450	64	1,183	5,128	25	205
1910.											
January ..	31	26	151	282	42	4,107	99	1,100	5,838	26	224
February ..	35	35	229	259	49	4,077	118	1,029	5,831	24	242
March ..	50	24	175	323	58	4,097	104	1,069	5,900	25	236
Totals ..	415	357	1,928	3,046	517	45,427	1,140	14,333	67,163	298	225



# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1909	..	8,284
„ „ added 1909-1910	.. ..	16
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	8
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1910	..	8,292
„ „ issued 1909-1910	.. ..	50,497
Daily average	.. ..	169
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	25,509
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1909	.. ..	1,368
„ „ on March 31st, 1910	.. ..	2,134
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	563
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	43
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	248
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	270
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	7
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		32

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1909-1910.

		1909.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1910.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	467	—	—	467
„ B	Sociology	296	2	—	298
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	602	1	—	603
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	1,621	4	1	1,624
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	293	2	—	295
„ F	Prose Fiction	3,540	7	6	3,541
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	631	—	—	631
„ H	Magazines	5	—	—	5
„ J	Juvenile Literature	829	—	1	828
	Totals	8,284	16	8	8,292

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS  
HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1909, TO MARCH 31ST, 1910.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous. Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1909.											
April ..	19	13	67	124	53	3,158	58	865	4,357	24	181
May ..	15	16	72	154	37	2,773	55	769	3,891	25	155
June ..	13	13	66	84	16	2,307	41	721	3,261	25	130
July ..	26	5	44	55	14	1,816	26	728	2,714	21	129
August ..	18	8	52	91	29	2,446	36	960	3,640	25	145
September	22	20	68	134	25	2,664	55	1,098	4,086	26	157
October ..	12	32	96	182	49	2,943	71	1,344	4,729	26	181
November ..	19	26	100	176	50	3,157	59	1,517	5,104	26	196
December ..	14	23	81	155	37	2,886	70	1,475	4,741	25	189
1910.											
January ..	18	21	88	165	25	3,138	55	1,309	4,819	26	185
February ..	23	24	85	158	37	2,984	60	1,274	4,645	24	193
March ..	23	17	76	184	48	2,988	58	1,116	4,510	25	180
Totals ..	222	218	895	1,662	420	33,260	644	13,176	50,497	298	169

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# PLOUGH ROAD BATHS, MUSEUM AND RECREATION ROOM.

Opened September, 1906.

## SUMMARY ACCOUNT OF VISITORS, ETC., FROM APRIL 1ST, 1909, TO MARCH 31ST, 1910.

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Number of Adult Visitors to the Gymnasium	..	..	877
„ Juvenile „ „	..	..	2,296
Amount received for use of Gymnasium	..	..	£16 19s. 3d.
Number of Visitors to the Recreation Room	..	..	12,500
Amount received for use of „ „	..	..	£55 9s. 8d.
„ „ „ Billiard Tables	..	..	£82 5s. 8d.
Number of Male Bathers	..	..	13,176
„ Female „	..	..	3,408
Amount received for use of Baths	..	..	£173 3s. 4d.

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Acme Flooring and Paving Co., Ltd., Gainsborough Road, N.E.  
Three model blocks of Acme-Sectional Paving.

Burns, Rt. Hon. John, M.P., "Athelstan," 37 Lavender Gardens,  
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Head of a jumping deer from Saskatchewan, Canada.

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Powder-puff box (George III.)  
Tortoise Shell Spoon (1720).

Rogers, G., 16 Doddington Grove, S.W.  
Eleven specimens of marble.



# BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

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## TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT.

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1910-11.

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## Library Committee.

1910-11.

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# REPORT.



The Libraries Committee submit their Report for the year ended March 31st, 1911.

The number of registered borrowers is **15,064**, of whom **10,141** are enrolled at the Central Library, **3,018** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,905** at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is **57,949**, of which **19,776** are in the Reference Department, and **21,312** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **8,615** at Lurline Gardens, and **8,246** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **1,131** volumes, **246** of these having been presented and **885** purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was **425,641**, of which **118,913** were given out in the Reference Department, and **196,871** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **62,006** at Lurline Gardens, and **47,851** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were **434,899**.

The practice of obliterating the betting news in the newspapers supplied to the Reading Rooms, which had been in force since February, 1905, has been discontinued, as it did not appear that any particular advantage resulted therefrom.

For the benefit of blind readers the "Braille Literary Journal" has been added to the list of periodicals taken at the Central Library. The current number is kept in the Reference Library, and the back numbers are issued for home reading from the Lending Department. If a sufficient demand should arise it is proposed to add books in the Braille or other embossed type to the Lending Department.

The University Extension Lectures have been continued in the Town Hall by Professor Hudson, who is now just completing his three years' course on "The Development of Literatures."

It is a matter for regret that Mr. Hudson will be unable to continue his work at this Centre, where he has lectured with much acceptance for seven years, but it is hoped that his services may again be secured on some future occasion. In the Michaelmas Term, 1911, Professor A. A. Jack will lecture on “ Rossetti, Morris, Swinburne, Arnold and Meredith.”

A new general catalogue of the Lurline Gardens Branch will shortly be published, as well as a new edition of the Indicator Key of Fiction in that Library. The whole of the books in that class have been re-arranged under the names of authors so as to agree with the numerical arrangement, and the stock of fiction has been considerably reduced by the withdrawal of superfluous and unimportant items.

The Plough Road Museum during the last year has been almost entirely remodelled, the idea of the Committee being that it should be a place of study and reference for the children in the Elementary Schools, young people, and adults of the district. With that object in view it has been re-arranged and re-labelled, and many specimens which did not appear to have an educational value have been dispensed with.

Several of the manufacturers of the district have placed exhibits illustrating the process of manufacture of their specialities, with specimens of the materials entering into the composition ; for these we are indebted to Messrs. Doulton & Co., Price's Candle Co., the New Hall Pottery Co., of Staffordshire, and the Morgan Crucible Co., who have placed a most interesting exhibit prepared by Mr. G. T. Holloway, illustrating the process of extracting gold from the gold-bearing quartz, &c., and the materials used for this purpose, also models of their crucibles, furnaces, &c., at our disposal. The Geological specimens have been re-arranged and labelled, Mr. W. S. Oulds having very kindly given his assistance in this work.

Many imperfect specimens have been eliminated, and certain sections are still inadequately represented through want of space.

Councillor Solomon has presented a small and interesting collection of fossils, which add to the variety in this section. The Committee have acquired by purchase several specimens of British reptilia.

The Corporation of the City of London have presented an interesting collection of objects excavated within the city boundaries, selected from the duplicate collections in the Guildhall Museum, and consisting chiefly of Neolithic implements, Roman and Mediæval pottery, metal and glass. The collections in these departments are as yet very small.

The Trustees of the British Museum (Natural History) have presented about 170 specimens of foreign birds and bird skins; these are now arranged, and the Committee feel it better to keep them in their present state, as they would occupy undue space if mounted, and some of the specimens, it is believed, would not mount successfully on account of their age. They now give an excellent opportunity for comparison in colour and marking and are very varied. The Committee are indebted to Councillor Eyre for the great interest he has shown in the obtaining and arrangement of this collection of birds.

We are also indebted to Mrs. Ramsey for a fine loan collection of shells, especially those bearing upon the production of mother-of-pearl. We have also a loan collection of old Staffordshire pottery.

The Committee have felt the desirability of encouraging the children of school age to use the Museum for the purpose of instruction, and, with a view to finding how far they are able to apply the knowledge gained in the Elementary Schools in the neighbourhood, offered four prizes (at their own cost), two for drawings of objects in the Museum, and two for pressed flowers. This brought forward sixteen competitors; the results were very encouraging, and showed considerable observation. Many of the plants were gathered from the waste spaces in the district. A most useful collection of vegetable food products has been added, with labels giving the nutritive value of each. For this we are indebted to Councillor Thomas.

It is somewhat unfortunate that the arrangement of the windows in the building practically prevents the use of three of the walls for exhibition purposes, and the necessity of keeping this room as a children's reading room makes it impossible to utilise all the floor space. If the room were exclusively devoted to Museum purposes a number of additional table cases could be introduced. At the same time the Committee feel that the Museum is in the wrong place, and should be in a more central position if it is to become useful to the inhabitants of the Borough generally.

The Battersea Enamels belonging to the Council have been removed to the Central Library, and now occupy a case in the Reference Department, which also contains some fine specimens lent by Miss Brown, Mr. E. Vaughan Morgan and Mr. K. Vaughan Morgan. There are also on loan specimens of modern translucent enamels and some illustrated books of the 16th and 17th centuries. Another case contains a number of illustrated books belonging to the Reference Department, which are changed from time to time, thus enabling readers to become better acquainted with the contents of the Library. This we find most useful, especially in the case of illustrated books bearing upon artistic subjects.

The usual detailed statistical information, lists of donors to the Libraries and Museum, &c., are appended.

R. W. MOFFREY, *Chairman*.

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian*.

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

3rd May, 1911.



# APPENDIX.

ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK  
SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	..	..	..	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	..	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233
1907-08	108,546	193,218	69,134	56,462	427,360	55,937
1908-09	109,401	199,386	65,829	52,671	427,287	56,879
1909-10	115,688	201,551	67,163	50,497	434,899	57,523
1910-11	118,913	196,871	62,006	47,851	425,641	57,949



## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1910	..	19,208
„ „ added 1910-1911	.. ..	588
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	20
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1911	.. ..	19,776
„ „ issued 1910-1911	.. ..	118,913
Daily average	.. ..	334
Number of Volumes bound	.. ..	504
Books replaced by new copies	.. ..	19

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1910	..	21,057
„ „ added 1910-1911	.. ..	277
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	22
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1911	.. ..	21,312
„ „ issued 1910-1911	.. ..	196,871
Daily average	.. ..	654
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	111,039
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1910	.. ..	5,756
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1911	.. ..	10,141
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	1,382
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	655
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	1,689
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	631
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	15
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	.. ..	56

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDI-  
TIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1910-1911.

				1910.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1911.
Class 0	General Works	..	..	4,587	164	3	4,748
„ 1	Philosophy	..	..	260	6	—	266
„ 2	Religion	..	..	1,136	28	—	1,164
„ 3	Sociology	..	..	2,817	135	9	2,943
„ 4	Philology	..	..	195	3	—	198
„ 5	Natural Science	..	..	1,124	22	2	1,144
„ 6	Useful Arts	..	..	993	21	1	1,013
„ 7	Fine Arts	..	..	948	25	1	972
„ 8	Literature	..	..	2,499	94	3	2,590
„ 9	History	..	..	4,649	90	1	4,738
Totals				19,208	588	20	19,776

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDI-  
TIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1910-1911.

				1910.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1911.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	..	..	1,245	18	—	1,263
„ B	Sociology	..	..	966	18	—	984
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	..	..	2,411	37	2	2,446
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	..	..	6,448	86	3	6,531
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	..	..	778	16	—	794
„ F	Prose Fiction	..	..	5,356	58	10	5,404
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	..	..	2,518	13	2	2,529
„ J	Juvenile Literature	..	..	1,335	31	5	1,361
Totals				21,057	277	22	21,312

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1910, to  
MARCH 31st, 1911.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1910.													
April ..	1,841	650	807	890	902	1,158	1,102	997	1,542	1,750	11,639	30	387
May ..	1,408	536	705	760	752	960	890	807	1,265	1,373	9,456	30	315
June ..	1,386	554	674	745	716	923	805	785	1,168	1,285	9,041	30	301
July ..	972	390	479	515	483	680	618	592	916	948	6,593	24	274
August ..	1,194	599	681	746	681	852	820	842	1,104	1,285	8,804	31	284
September	1,441	621	718	784	860	1,010	961	966	1,227	1,495	10,083	30	336
October ..	1,468	677	783	811	776	1,095	891	955	1,365	1,500	10,321	31	332
November ..	1,434	629	783	864	843	1,019	930	960	1,360	1,459	10,281	30	342
December	1,436	521	720	723	733	924	854	905	1,254	1,338	9,408	30	313
1911.													
January ..	1,638	655	832	877	843	1,035	972	977	1,436	1,553	10,818	31	348
February ..	1,548	613	776	819	776	1,010	981	871	1,414	1,552	10,360	28	370
March ..	1,795	774	938	945	912	1,144	1,114	1,071	1,695	1,721	12,109	31	390
Totals ..	17,561	7,219	8,896	9,479	9,277	11,810	10,938	10,728	15,746	17,259	118,913	356	334

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1910-1911.

Total issue (April 1st, 1910, to March 31st, 1911)	..	..	2,539
Sundays open ..	..	..	50
Average Sunday issue ..	..	..	50

**TABLE**  
**SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE**  
**LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1910, to**  
**MARCH 31st, 1911.**

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1910.											
April ..	174	161	1,231	1,276	281	12,473	625	2,889	19,110	26	735
May ..	158	147	1,044	967	249	10,444	542	2,236	15,787	24	657
June ..	120	132	721	693	194	7,940	377	1,692	11,869	25	474
July ..	113	83	705	655	148	7,838	360	1,863	11,765	20	588
August ..	167	113	934	855	189	10,087	466	2,609	15,420	26	593
September	196	159	1,046	1,083	229	10,337	574	2,633	16,257	26	625
October ..	197	172	1,253	1,215	237	11,098	738	3,292	18,202	26	700
November	173	191	1,035	1,158	247	10,597	634	3,493	17,528	26	674
December	135	168	976	1,073	212	9,968	572	3,212	16,316	25	652
1911.											
January ..	158	203	1,237	1,205	219	11,231	612	3,097	17,962	26	690
February ..	156	170	1,118	1,197	240	10,826	580	3,098	17,385	24	724
March ..	201	165	1,267	1,304	303	11,809	707	3,514	19,270	27	713
Totals ..	1,948	1,864	12,567	12,681	2,748	124,648	6,787	33,628	196,871	301	654



# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1910	8,966
„ „ added 1910-1911 .. ..	242
„ „ withdrawn .. ..	593
„ „ in stock on March 31st, 1911 ..	8,615
„ „ issued 1910-1911 .. ..	62,006
Daily average .. ..	206
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ..	31,599
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1910 ..	1,767
„ „ „ on March 31st, 1911 ..	3,018
„ Juvenile Borrowers .. ..	543
„ Students' Tickets issued .. ..	59
„ Volumes bound .. ..	584
Books worn out and replaced by new copies ..	636
„ replaced by Borrowers .. ..	2
„ destroyed and paid for by Health Department ..	25

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1910-1911.

	1910.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1911.
Class A Religion and Philosophy ..	317	4	11	310
„ B Sociology .. ..	287	2	9	280
„ C Arts, Sciences and Natural History .. ..	673	10	20	663
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels ..	2,091	55	58	2,088
„ E Poetry and the Drama ..	337	7	6	338
„ F Prose Fiction .. ..	3,399	116	435	3,080
„ G Miscellaneous Literature ..	743	23	28	738
„ H Magazines .. ..	3	—	—	3
„ J Juvenile Literature ..	817	18	25	810
Works of Reference .. ..	299	7	1	305
Totals .. ..	8,966	242	593	8,615



## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS

FROM APRIL 1st, 1910, to MARCH 31st, 1911.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1910.											
April ..	38	32	159	299	46	4,224	91	1,183	6,072	26	233
May ..	28	21	92	241	42	3,322	79	1,038	4,863	24	202
June ..	18	17	96	151	30	2,676	56	738	3,782	25	151
July ..	19	16	104	176	31	2,472	51	632	3,501	20	175
August ..	21	22	144	196	40	3,097	74	876	4,470	26	171
September	22	20	163	245	32	3,435	94	1,291	5,302	26	203
October ..	28	26	207	271	51	3,748	98	1,483	5,912	26	227
November ..	28	23	149	247	45	3,693	114	1,354	5,653	26	217
December ..	29	18	130	223	46	3,431	92	1,204	5,173	25	206
1911.											
January ..	32	33	174	274	57	3,820	108	1,449	5,947	26	228
February ..	35	28	150	268	44	3,493	89	1,413	5,520	24	230
March ..	16	17	170	214	37	3,835	85	1,437	5,811	27	215
Totals ..	314	273	1,738	2,805	501	41,246	1,031	14,098	62,006	301	206

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1910	..	8,292
"          "      added 1910-1911	.. ..	24
"          "      withdrawn	.. ..	70
"          "      in Stock on March 31st, 1911	..	8,246
"          "      issued 1910-1911	.. ..	47,851
Daily average	.. ..	158
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	26,727
"          "          "          "      April 1st, 1910	..	1,218
"          "          "          "      on March 31st, 1911	.. ..	1,905
"          Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	494
"          Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	38
"          Volumes bound	.. ..	717
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	529
"      replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	1
"      destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		13

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1910-1911.

		1910.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1911.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	467	—	—	467
" B	Sociology	298	—	1	297
" C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	603	2	2	603
" D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	1,624	2	1	1,625
" E	Poetry and the Drama	295	3	1	297
" F	Prose Fiction	3,541	9	50	3,500
" G	Miscellaneous Literature	631	2	—	633
" H	Magazines	5	—	—	5
" J	Juvenile Literature	828	6	15	819
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>8,292</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>8,246</b>

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1st, 1910, TO MARCH 31st, 1911.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1910.											
April ..	27	23	73	163	49	3,071	71	1,150	4,627	26	177
May ..	19	15	62	140	42	2,410	53	1,092	3,833	24	159
June ..	16	13	62	117	25	2,035	30	770	3,068	25	122
July ..	12	12	48	78	17	1,742	29	694	2,632	20	131
August ..	20	19	70	116	30	2,529	44	1,062	3,890	26	149
September	15	25	80	122	31	2,666	47	1,190	4,176	26	160
October ..	20	14	76	127	38	2,744	48	1,288	4,355	26	167
November ..	18	22	62	109	33	2,664	30	1,309	4,247	26	163
December ..	17	16	59	106	31	2,360	33	1,135	3,757	25	150
1911.											
January ..	21	12	80	126	27	2,690	47	1,350	4,353	26	167
February ..	22	27	81	144	32	2,661	61	1,241	4,269	24	177
March ..	24	18	83	153	28	2,971	57	1,310	4,644	27	172
Totals ..	231	216	836	1,501	383	30,543	550	13,591	47,851	301	158

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- LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH. Catalogue of the Lending Library. Second Edition. 170 pp., 8vo. 1899. 6d. *Out of print.*
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Area (exclusive of water), 2,156 acres.

Rateable value, £1,014,506.

Amount produced by penny rate, £3,982.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16th March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1st June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20th July, 1887.

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Central Library opened, 26th March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30th September, 1890.

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Museum, Gymnasium, &c., Plough Road, opened, 29th September,  
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# REPORT.

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The Libraries Committee submit their Report on the Public Libraries for the year ended March 31st, 1912.

The number of registered borrowers is **14,027**, of whom **9,734** are enrolled at the Central Library, **2,587** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,706** at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is **59,210**, of which **20,435** are in the Reference Department, and **21,865** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **8,806** at Lurline Gardens, and **8,104** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **1,561** volumes, **164** of these having been presented and **1,397** purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was **419,351**, of which **125,319** were given out in the Reference Department and **192,694** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **56,510** at Lurline Gardens, and **44,828** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were **425,641**.

The work of the Libraries as shown in the recorded issues of books remains fairly steady, although the total has been exceeded in four previous years. The decline of **6,290** volumes as compared with 1910-11 is not altogether unsatisfactory when it is seen that the circulation of works of fiction has decreased by **9,455**. On the other hand **125,319** volumes have been consulted in the Reference Department, the largest number on record, and exceeding that of the previous year by **6,406**. The Committee are pleased to find that this Department continues to grow in popularity and usefulness, and they have adhered to the policy of paying special attention to its requirements when purchasing new books. Large purchases of books on architectural and artistic subjects have been made, and complete and authoritative library editions of

standard authors have been added from time to time as opportunities occurred. Among the acquisitions of the year may be mentioned :—

- Bankart (G. P.). Art of the plasterer. 4to. 1908.  
 Besant (Sir Walter). London, south of the Thames. 4to. 1912.  
 Brontë (Anne, Charlotte, and Emily). Works. [Library edition.] 12 vol., 8vo. 1911.  
 Butler (H. B.) and Fletcher (C. R. L.). Historical portraits, 1600-1700. 8vo. 1911.  
 Caulfield (S. F. A.) and Saward (Blanche E.). Dictionary of needlework : an encyclopædia of artistic, plain and fancy needlework. 4to. N.D.  
 Day (L. F.). Penmanship of the 16th, 17th, and 18th centuries : a series of typical examples from English and foreign writing books. 8vo. N.D.  
 Dickens (Charles) Works of. [Authentic edition]. 22 vol. Illus. 8vo. N.D.  
 Dilke (Emilie F. S., Lady). French engravers and draughtsmen of the 18th century. 8vo. 1902.  
 Ellwood (G. M.). English furniture and decoration, 1680-1800. 4to. N.D.  
 Gardner (J. S.). English ironwork of the 17th and 18th centuries. 8vo. [1911].  
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 Richardson (Samuel). Novels, complete and unabridged. [Library edition.] 19 vol. 8vo. 1902.  
 Samuel (Arthur). Piranesi. 8vo. 1910.  
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 Tavenor-Perry (J.). Dinanderie : a history and description of mediæval art work in copper, brass, and bronze. 8vo. 1910.  
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While the issues in this Department have doubled in the last seven years, it should also be observed that the stock has greatly increased in the same time, if not in the same ratio. The shelving accommodation has been nearly exhausted during the past year, and it has been found necessary to provide extensively for future additions, particularly for books of the larger sizes.

The heavy wear and tear involved in the large circulation of books for home reading render necessary a considerable expenditure of money each year on the replacement of worn-out copies. During the past year **2,096** volumes have been replaced in this way, and **2,662** volumes have been re-bound, while **7,542** were repaired by the staff of the Libraries.

The Lectures in connection with the University Extension Board of the University of London have been given during the past session by Professor A. A. Jack, M.A., in the Town Hall, his subjects being, in the Michaelmas Term "Rossetti, Morris, Swinburne, Arnold, and Meredith," and in the Lent Term "American Writers." Unfortunately the want of success which has attended the work of the Centre during recent years has not been arrested by the change of Lecturers and subjects, and at last the Committee of Management have been compelled, with great regret, to close the Centre. This step would have become necessary at an earlier date had it not been for the generous assistance rendered by the Borough Council for so many years in granting the use of a Lecture Room at the Town Hall free of charge.

During the past twelve months the rearrangement of the Plough Road Museum has proceeded on the lines laid down by the Committee with the object of giving the Institution a more strictly educational character.

A carefully selected series of Crystals has been purchased, also some specimens of minerals. The Collection of Palæolithic and Neolithic implements presented by Mr. H. Seton-Karr has been arranged in such a manner as to be more easily seen, and the Geological Collection has been rearranged and labelled, as well as the Corals on view, which, although few in number, compare favourably with specimens in more important Museums.

A loan collection of savage weapons and implements, many of them finely carved, has been promised by the Committee of the Horniman Museum. We have also received a number of gifts from Members of the Committee, and a most interesting and



beautiful collection of Agates, on loan, from Mr. W. S. Oulds, who takes a keen interest in this Museum. We are also arranging a case showing the common objects found upon the sea coast. All this has been done at very small cost to the Ratepayers.

The Committee again offered prizes at their own cost to the elementary school children in the district for pressed flowers, and drawings of, or essays upon, objects in the Museum ; this met with a satisfactory response, more especially from the girls of the district, and in some cases a very high level of attainment was shown.

When our present arrangements are completed the Museum cases will be filled, but the Committee feel there is a want of adequate space in the present building for the purposes of a Museum worthy of the Borough of Battersea ; the lighting of the room is unsuitable, and the fact that it must also be used as a Reading Room for the children of the neighbourhood is detrimental to the quietude so necessary to such an Institution : consequently few adults visit the place in the evening. It has also the disadvantage of not being sufficiently accessible to the majority of the inhabitants of the whole of the Borough.

The Gymnasium and Recreation Room for men continue to maintain their popularity.

The Committee are of opinion that the Museum is almost developed as far as it can be in its present quarters, and they feel they must wait for the munificence of some wealthy inhabitant to furnish a more central and suitable building.

The usual detailed statistical information is appended.

J. EYRE, *Chairman*.

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian*.

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

1st May, 1912.



# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	..	..	..	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	..	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233
1907-08	108,546	193,218	69,134	56,462	427,360	55,937
1908-09	109,401	199,386	65,829	52,671	427,287	56,879
1909-10	115,688	201,551	67,163	50,497	434,899	57,523
1910-11	118,913	196,871	62,006	47,851	425,641	57,949
1911-12	125,319	192,694	56,510	44,828	419,351	59,210

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1911	..	19,776
"    "    added 1911-1912	.. ..	662
"    "    withdrawn	.. ..	3
"    "    in Stock on March 31st, 1912	..	20,435
"    "    issued 1911-1912	.. ..	125,319
Daily Average	.. ..	352
Number of volumes bound	.. ..	325
Books replaced by new copies	.. ..	4

## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1911	..	21,312
"    "    added 1911-1912	.. ..	569
"    "    withdrawn	.. ..	16
"    "    in Stock on March 31st, 1912	..	21,865
"    "    issued	.. ..	192,694
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	116,912
"    "    "    "    April 1st, 1911	..	5,873
"    "    "    "    on March 31st, 1912	..	9,734
"    Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	1,655
"    Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	600
"    Volumes bound	.. ..	1,133
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	1,134
"    replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	17
"    destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		55

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

1911-1912.

				1911.	Additions.	Deductions.	1912.
Class 0	General Works	..	..	4,748	167	—	4,915
„ 1	Philosophy	..	..	266	8	—	274
„ 2	Religion	..	..	1,164	38	3	1,199
„ 3	Sociology	..	..	2,943	120	—	3,063
„ 4	Philology	..	..	198	4	—	202
„ 5	Natural Science	..	..	1,144	37	—	1,181
„ 6	Useful Arts	..	..	1,013	37	—	1,050
„ 7	Fine Arts	..	..	972	38	—	1,010
„ 8	Literature	..	..	2,590	99	—	2,689
„ 9	History	..	..	4,738	114	—	4,852
Totals				19,776	662	3	20,435

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,

1911-1912.

				1911.	Additions.	Deductions.	1912.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy			1,263	27	—	1,290
„ B	Sociology	..	..	984	23	—	1,007
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	..	..	2,446	60	2	2,504
„ D	History, Biography, Geography and Travels	..		6,531	122	4	6,649
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	..		794	10	—	804
„ F	Prose Fiction	..	..	5,404	175	1	5,578
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	..		2,529	48	8	2,569
„ J	Juvenile Literature	..		1,361	104	1	1,464
Totals				21,312	569	16	21,865

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1911, TO  
MARCH 31st, 1912.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1911.													
April ..	1,486	568	677	744	711	896	924	845	1,289	1,410	9,550	30	318
May ..	1,782	592	708	746	769	915	1,003	949	1,440	1,650	10,554	31	340
June ..	1,409	452	605	606	603	804	756	709	1,133	1,257	8,334	28	297
July ..	1,075	357	449	509	452	615	582	495	856	977	6,367	24	265
August ..	1,381	583	631	636	619	767	804	717	1,036	1,400	8,574	31	276
September	1,692	713	757	769	697	924	904	881	1,352	1,595	10,284	30	342
October ..	1,879	733	890	916	812	1,060	1,025	994	1,521	1,726	11,556	31	372
November	1,804	734	883	888	797	1,050	1,143	1,035	1,507	1,728	11,569	30	385
December	1,670	680	817	887	787	1,066	1,017	896	1,524	1,619	10,963	30	365
1912.													
January ..	1,994	753	920	967	935	1,127	1,157	1,017	1,683	1,930	12,483	31	402
February	1,863	736	925	922	862	1,084	1,149	1,011	1,737	1,831	12,120	29	417
March ..	2,100	758	1,002	1,047	899	1,152	1,244	1,033	1,799	1,931	12,965	31	418
Totals ..	20,135	7,659	9,264	9,637	8,943	11,460	11,708	10,582	16,877	19,054	125,319	356	352

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1911-1912.

Total issue (April 1st, 1911, to March 31st, 1912)	..	..	2,479
Sundays open .. .. .	..	..	52
Average Sunday issue .. .. .	..	..	47



## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1911, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1912.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1911.											
April ..	172	126	1,059	1,063	237	10,860	578	3,194	17,289	23	751
May ..	154	120	921	1,035	206	10,064	572	2,766	15,838	27	586
June ..	78	90	600	764	167	7,174	360	1,688	10,921	22	496
July ..	109	85	657	660	161	6,880	347	1,445	10,344	20	517
August ..	136	88	689	806	163	8,493	420	2,123	12,918	25	516
September	182	147	1,118	1,069	215	10,764	538	2,749	16,782	26	641
October ..	175	200	1,179	1,082	271	10,590	579	3,261	17,337	26	666
November	140	212	1,087	1,120	296	10,812	579	3,328	17,574	26	675
December	110	136	1,025	1,029	254	10,593	531	3,110	16,788	24	699
1912.											
January ..	153	157	1,110	1,260	258	11,955	680	3,589	19,162	27	709
February..	153	202	1,117	1,245	271	11,290	609	3,563	18,450	25	738
March ..	182	171	1,241	1,271	268	12,130	686	3,342	19,291	26	741
Totals	1,744	1,734	11,803	12,404	2,767	121,605	6,479	34,158	192,694	297	648



## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1911	..	8,615
„ „ added 1911-1912	.. ..	195
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	4
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1912	..	8,806
„ „ issued 1911-1912	.. ..	56,510
Daily average	.. ..	192
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	33,133
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1911	..	1,534
„ „ „ on March 31st, 1912	..	2,587
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	404
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	66
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	735
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	589
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	6
„ destroyed and paid for by Health Department	..	25

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1911-1912.

		1911.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1912.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	.. 310	1	—	311
„ B	Sociology	.. .. 280	6	—	286
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	.. .. 663	8	1	670
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	.. 2,088	35	—	2,123
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	.. 338	—	—	338
„ F	Prose Fiction	.. .. 3,080	71	—	3,151
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	.. 738	12	—	750
„ H	Magazines	.. .. 3	—	—	3
„ J	Juvenile Literature	.. 810	54	—	864
Works of Reference	.. ..	305	8	3	310
Totals		.. .. 8,615	195	4	8,806

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS  
FROM APRIL 1ST, 1911, to MARCH 31ST, 1912.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1911.											
April ..	21	17	112	213	43	3,316	55	1,265	5,042	23	219
May ..	23	12	144	201	33	3,131	65	1,229	4,838	27	179
June ..	14	13	65	101	33	2,048	48	739	3,061	22	139
July ..	13	11	47	97	24	1,749	31	507	2,479	15	165
August ..	18	17	85	180	26	2,970	79	726	4,101	26	157
September	30	21	135	196	37	3,369	109	888	4,785	26	184
October ..	31	22	147	258	46	3,452	103	958	5,017	26	192
November	29	41	141	231	43	3,734	88	977	5,284	26	203
December	20	17	115	193	33	3,175	72	975	4,600	24	191
1912.											
January ..	28	31	129	230	35	3,844	89	1,433	5,819	27	215
February..	21	38	114	253	35	3,568	77	1,413	5,519	25	220
March ..	22	33	156	287	40	3,929	96	1,402	5,965	26	229
Totals	270	273	1,390	2,440	428	38,285	912	12,512	56,510	293	192

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1911	..	8,246
„ „ added 1911-1912	.. ..	135
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	277
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1912	..	8,104
„ „ issued 1911-1912	.. ..	44,828
Daily average	.. ..	156
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	..	27,871
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1911	..	1,144
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1912	..	1,706
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	446
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	25
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	469
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	369
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	2
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		22

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1911-1912.

		1911.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1912.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy ..	467	—	—	467
„ B	Sociology .. ..	297	4	—	301
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History .. ..	603	2	1	604
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels ..	1,625	8	1	1,632
„ E	Poetry and the Drama ..	297	1	—	298
„ F	Prose Fiction .. ..	3,500	67	263	3,304
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature ..	633	—	1	632
„ H	Magazines .. ..	5	—	—	5
„ J	Juvenile Literature ..	819	53	11	861
	Totals .. ..	8,246	135	277	8,104

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1911, TO MARCH 31ST, 1912.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1911.											
April ..	17	16	44	105	30	2 432	60	1,213	3,917	23	170
May ..	26	20	66	125	39	2,397	58	1,174	3,905	27	144
June ..	10	11	43	77	14	1,769	33	834	2,791	22	126
July ..	14	10	41	70	15	1,689	26	869	2,734	20	136
August ..	19	13	31	69	10	1,208	27	708	2,085	16	130
September	21	19	46	85	18	1,969	28	1,058	3,244	24	135
October ..	24	13	60	128	36	2,346	45	1,404	4,056	26	156
November	15	17	60	135	31	2,562	53	1,370	4,243	26	163
December	20	15	62	104	33	2,233	45	1,178	3,690	24	153
1912.											
January ..	23	20	78	138	24	2,769	54	1,555	4,661	27	172
February..	16	19	67	106	24	2,795	55	1,605	4,687	25	187
March ..	17	23	80	132	35	2,923	64	1,541	4,815	26	185
Totals ..	222	196	678	1,274	309	27,092	548	14,509	44,828	286	156



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CENTRAL LIBRARY.

Supplementary Catalogue, 1898-1904	..	..	..	..	..	2d.
Class List of Natural Science, Useful Arts, and Fine Arts	..	..	..	..	..	2d.
Catalogue of Juvenile Literature	..	..	..	..	..	1d.
Class List of Sociology	..	..	..	..	..	2d.
Class List of History	..	..	..	..	..	6d.
Indicator-Key of Class F (Fiction)	..	..	..	..	..	2d.

LURLINE GARDENS.

Catalogue of the Lending Library	..	..	..	..	..	6d.
Indicator-Key of Class F (Fiction)	..	..	..	..	..	2d.

LAMMAS HALL.

Catalogue of the Lending Library	..	..	..	..	..	2d.
Supplementary Catalogue, 1897-1906	..	..	..	..	..	2d.
Indicator-Key of Class F (Fiction)	..	..	..	..	..	2d.

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## PLOUGH ROAD MUSEUM AND RECREATION ROOM.

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Opened September, 1906.

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### SUMMARY ACCOUNT OF VISITORS, ETC., FROM APRIL 1ST, 1911, TO MARCH 31ST, 1912.

Number of Adult Visitors to the Gymnasium	..	..	891
"    Juvenile    "    "	..	..	1,800
Amount received for use of Gymnasium	..	£14 18s. 6d.	
Number of Visitors to the Recreation Room	..	..	10,401
Amount received for use of    "    "	..	£44 10s. 0d.	
"    "    "    Billiard Tables	..	£74 14s. 11d.	



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# REPORT.

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The Libraries Committee submit their Report on the Public Libraries for the year ended March 31st, 1913.

The number of registered borrowers is **13,139**, of whom **9,150** are enrolled at the Central Library, **2,482** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,507** at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is **60,130**, of which **21,042** are in the Reference Department, and **22,085** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **8,879** at Lurline Gardens, and **8,124** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **998** volumes, **291** of these having been presented and **707** purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was **424,843**, of which **132,202** were given out in the Reference Department, and **191,708** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **59,502** at Lurline Gardens, and **41,431** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were **419,351**.

The increase in the number of books issued (**5,492**), although small, is satisfactory, especially when it is observed that the circulation of works of fiction has declined by **1,517** volumes. The Reference Department continues to be the most progressive section of the Central Library, the number of volumes consulted being **6,883** more than last year, and the total number (**132,202**) the highest on record. The value of the work done in this department can hardly be gauged by figures, but at least they show that its volume does not diminish.

During the past year the work of re-arranging the various collections in the Plough Road Museum has been completed by Mr. John Eyre, until recently a member of the Committee, and the numerous improvements which he has effected have resulted not only in the better classification and display of the exhibits, but in an economy of space which has proved of considerable advantage. The Committee have great pleasure in acknowledging their obligations to Mr. Eyre, and in recording their conviction that what has been to him a labour of love extending over three years has proved in every way a distinct service to the Institution.

The usual detailed statistical information, lists of donors to the Libraries and Museum, &c., are appended.

G. H. LAWOTHER, *Chairman*.

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian*.

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,

LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

16th April, 1913.

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# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	..	..	..	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	..	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233
1907-08	108,546	193,218	69,134	56,462	427,360	55,937
1908-09	109,401	199,386	65,829	52,671	427,287	56,879
1909-10	115,688	201,551	67,163	50,497	434,899	57,523
1910-11	118,913	196,871	62,006	47,851	425,641	57,949
1911-12	125,319	192,694	56,510	44,828	419,351	59,210
1912-13	132,202	191,708	59,502	41,431	424,843	60,130



## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

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SUMMARY.

## REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1912	..	20,435
„ „ added 1912-1913	.. ..	610
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	3
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1913	..	21,042
„ „ issued 1912-1913	.. ..	132,202
Daily Average	.. ..	370
Number of volumes bound	.. ..	439
Books replaced by new copies	.. ..	13

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## LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1912	..	21,865
„ „ added 1912-1913	.. ..	276
„ „ withdrawn	.. ..	56
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1913	..	22,085
„ „ issued 1912-1913	.. ..	191,708
Daily Average..	.. ..	656
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	122,380
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1912	..	5,468
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1913	..	9,150
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	1,342
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	547
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	1,650
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	1,154
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	12
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		86

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDI-  
TIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1912-1913.

				1912.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1913.
Class 0	General Works	..	..	4,915	114	—	5,029
„ 1	Philosophy	..	..	274	11	—	285
„ 2	Religion	..	..	1,199	40	1	1,238
„ 3	Sociology	..	..	3,063	182	1	3,244
„ 4	Philology	..	..	202	7	—	209
„ 5	Natural Science	..	..	1,181	22	—	1,203
„ 6	Useful Arts	..	..	1,050	29	1	1,078
„ 7	Fine Arts	..	..	1,010	32	—	1,042
„ 8	Literature	..	..	2,689	47	—	2,736
„ 9	History	..	..	4,852	126	—	4,978
Totals				20,435	610	3	21,042

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDI-  
TIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1912-1913.

				1912.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1913.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy			1,290	21	—	1,311
„ B	Sociology	..	..	1,007	14	1	1,020
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	..	..	2,504	39	2	2,541
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	..	..	6,649	59	4	6,704
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	..	..	804	23	—	827
„ F	Prose Fiction	..	..	5,578	65	—	5,643
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	..	..	2,569	36	49	2,556
„ J	Juvenile Literature	..	..	1,464	19	—	1,483
Totals				21,865	276	56	22,085

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1912, TO  
MARCH 31st, 1913.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1912.													
April ..	1,785	627	821	832	780	1,095	1,007	944	1,483	1,783	11,157	30	372
May ..	2,005	795	917	993	974	1,169	1,283	1,205	1,692	1,981	13,014	31	419
June ..	1,563	636	713	793	760	971	976	949	1,317	1,529	10,207	30	340
July ..	1,100	461	502	541	571	642	708	692	888	1,132	7,237	24	301
August ..	1,447	660	727	785	731	974	916	909	1,265	1,486	9,900	31	319
September	1,563	664	809	898	825	957	1,027	992	1,428	1,635	10,798	30	359
October ..	1,768	725	925	1,007	907	1,084	1,154	1,133	1,585	1,778	12,066	31	389
November	1,787	740	923	978	925	1,156	1,135	1,105	1,717	1,843	12,309	30	410
December	1,759	675	861	928	807	1,110	1,108	1,032	1,566	1,822	11,668	30	388
1913.													
January ..	1,962	699	910	908	830	1,103	1,074	1,011	1,709	1,821	12,027	31	387
February	1,696	657	774	810	780	996	1,001	1,000	1,532	1,710	10,956	28	391
March ..	1,661	638	785	825	780	959	997	982	1,560	1,676	10,863	31	350
Totals ..	20,096	7,977	9,667	10,298	9,670	12,216	12,386	11,954	17,742	20,196	132,202	357	370

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1912-1913.

Total issue (April 1st, 1912, to March 31st, 1913)	..	..	2,823
Sundays open .. .. .	..	..	51
Average Sunday issue .. .. .	..	..	55

TABLE  
SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1ST, 1912, TO  
MARCH 31ST, 1913.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1912.											
April ..	133	151	994	1,144	224	10,925	606	3,118	17,295	24	720
May ..	150	100	953	1,007	198	9,728	528	2,506	15,170	26	583
June ..	83	92	608	757	193	7,626	418	1,939	11,716	24	488
July ..	83	71	477	471	106	5,410	300	1,962	8,880	15	592
August ..	128	100	860	930	167	9,969	544	2,701	15,399	26	592
September	170	91	983	957	266	9,931	645	2,957	16,000	25	640
October ..	186	108	1,069	1,061	263	10,553	818	3,787	17,845	27	660
November	162	138	1,024	1,168	281	11,203	867	3,901	18,744	26	720
December	110	98	824	927	225	9,801	681	3,543	16,209	24	675
1913.											
January ..	122	117	900	1,028	201	11,334	696	3,781	18,179	27	673
February..	146	112	900	1,072	245	10,899	689	3,694	17,757	24	739
March ..	120	121	987	1,163	275	11,347	692	3,809	18,514	24	771
Totals	1,593	1,299	10,579	11,685	2,644	118,726	7,484	37,698	191,708	292	656



# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1912	..	8,806
„ „ added 1912-1913	.. ..	73
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1913	..	8,879
„ „ issued 1912-1913	.. ..	59,502
Daily average	.. ..	199
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	.. ..	34,638
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1912	..	1,505
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1913	..	2,482
„ Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	378
„ Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	78
„ Volumes bound	.. ..	695
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	.. ..	481
„ replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	8
„ destroyed and paid for by Health Department	..	14

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1912-1913.

	1912.	Addi- tions.	1913.
Class A Religion and Philosophy	311	—	311
„ B Sociology	286	1	287
„ C Arts, Sciences and Natural History	670	3	673
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	2,123	9	2,132
„ E Poetry and the Drama	338	—	338
„ F Prose Fiction	3,151	21	3,172
„ G Miscellaneous Literature	750	13	763
„ H Magazines	3	—	3
„ J Juvenile Literature	864	12	876
Works of Reference	310	14	324
Totals	8,806	73	8,879



## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS  
FROM APRIL 1ST, 1912, to MARCH 31ST, 1913.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, and Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1912.											
April ..	33	13	148	258	31	3,584	88	1,183	5,338	24	222
May ..	35	28	125	197	48	3,432	106	1,007	4,978	26	191
June ..	19	13	79	190	34	2,846	69	873	4,123	24	171
July ..	24	7	78	156	37	2,443	59	762	3,566	21	169
August ..	28	18	120	212	19	3,228	93	891	4,609	26	177
September	32	20	136	197	39	3,340	74	978	4,816	25	192
October ..	35	22	150	264	50	3,515	88	984	5,108	27	189
November	27	19	129	238	48	3,552	130	1,010	5,153	26	198
December	23	18	118	221	42	3,254	103	1,043	4,822	24	200
1913.											
January ..	26	35	138	264	45	3,960	114	1,324	5,906	27	218
February..	30	41	147	264	62	3,629	101	1,122	5,396	24	224
March ..	35	29	150	292	43	3,899	113	1,126	5,687	24	236
Totals	347	263	1,518	2,753	498	40,682	1,138	12,303	59,502	298	199

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1912	..	8,104
"    "    added 1912-1913	.. ..	39
"    "    withdrawn	.. ..	19
"    "    in Stock on March 31st, 1913	..	8,124
"    "    issued 1912-1913	.. ..	41,431
Daily average	.. ..	139
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	..	28,832
"    "    "    "    April 1st, 1912	..	961
"    "    "    on March 31st, 1913	..	1,507
"    Juvenile Borrowers	.. ..	306
"    Students' Tickets issued	.. ..	23
"    Volumes bound	.. ..	496
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	..	318
"    replaced by Borrowers	.. ..	2
"    destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		16

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1912-1913.

		1912.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1913.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	467	—	—	467
" B	Sociology	301	1	—	302
" C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	604	3	1	606
" D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	1,632	3	4	1,631
" E	Poetry and the Drama	298	—	—	298
" F	Prose Fiction	3,304	19	9	3,314
" G	Miscellaneous Literature	632	2	—	634
" H	Magazines	5	—	—	5
" J	Juvenile Literature	861	11	5	867
	Totals	8,104	39	19	8,124

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS

HALL FROM APRIL 1ST, 1912, TO MARCH 31ST, 1913.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1912.											
April ..	14	15	59	89	35	2,384	41	1,231	3,868	24	161
May ..	10	14	33	101	25	2,151	37	993	3,364	26	129
June ..	5	4	37	59	20	1,669	21	722	2,537	24	105
July ..	5	8	32	51	19	1,491	17	666	2,289	21	109
August ..	7	4	42	66	21	1,829	33	815	2,817	26	108
September	2	15	60	69	29	2,302	43	1,061	3,581	25	143
October ..	14	23	78	112	35	2,521	41	1,172	3,996	27	148
November	10	17	62	107	32	2,304	41	1,278	3,851	26	148
December	13	14	61	100	19	2,199	40	1,040	3,486	24	145
1913.											
January ..	22	9	56	119	23	2,352	29	1,258	3,868	27	143
February..	20	12	56	74	25	2,330	30	1,238	3,785	24	157
March ..	19	12	49	74	16	2,525	34	1,260	3,989	24	166
Totals ..	141	147	625	1,021	299	26,057	407	12,734	41,431	298	139

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &amp;c.

	Volumes.	Pamph-lets.	Period-icals.
Accountants and Auditors, Society of, 4 King Street, E.C. ... ..			3
Accountants, Central Association of, 65 London Wall, E.C. ... ..	1		3
Allen, W. H., 51 West Side, Clapham Common, S.W....			1
Andrews, A., 64 Marney Road, S.W. ... ..			3
Association of Trade Protection Societies of the United Kingdom, 16 Berners Street, W. ... ..			1
Australia, Commonwealth of. Australian Parliamen- tary Debates (as issued) ... ..	1		4
Bartlett, J. H., 11 Rusham Road, S.W. ... ..			
Battersea Trades and Labour Council, per C. E. Mason, Secretary, 455 Battersea Park Road, S.W. ... ..		8	
Beadell, H. B., 31 Montholme Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Bibby, Messrs. J., & Sons, King Edward Street, Liver- pool ... ..		6	
Bonham, F. J., " Penrose," Wakehurst Road, S.W. ...			2
Borley, G. W., 24 Victoria Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Brazil, Government of, c/o Messrs. Butler & Tanner, Selwood Press, Frome, Somerset ... ..	1		
British Museum, Trustees of ... ..	7		
Brogan, T. P., J.P., Mayor of Battersea, 102 York Road, S.W. Portrait of himself for the collection of portraits of the Mayors of Battersea			
Buddhist Society of Great Britain and Ireland, 41 Great Russell Street, E.C. ... ..			1
Bull, Miss E. A., 29 Montholme Road, S.W. ... ..	11		
Burns, Rt. Hon. John, M.P., " Athelstan," 37 Laven- der Gardens, S.W. ... ..	93	3	
Butcher, Miss, 118 Kyrle Road, S.W. ... ..	5		
Canada, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa ... ..		1	
Canada, Department of Mines, Ottawa. Four parts unbound ... ..	1		
Canada, Geological Survey of, Ottawa ... ..	1	1	
Canadian Pacific Railway Co., Ltd., 62-65 Charing Cross, S.W. ... ..	1		
Carnegie Dunfermline Trust, Trustees of... ..	1		
Carrington, Miss Edith, 18 Miles Road, Clifton, Bristol	13		1
Carter, J. E., 295 Friern Road, East Dulwich ... ..			1
Cassidy, James, c/o Messrs. Cooper & Budd, Ltd., 62 Fleet Street, E.C. ... ..	1		
Champness, Messrs. & Co., per Messrs. P. Marshall & Co., 26-29 Poppins Court, E.C. ... ..	1		
Chicago, Bureau of Statistics... ..	1		
City and Guilds of London Institute, Exhibition Road, S.W. ... ..	1		
Coates, Miss E., 12 Liston Road, S.W. ... ..	2		
Colvin, Sir Sidney, Overponds, Shackleford, Godalm- ing. Collection of photographs and lantern slides of engravings, sculpture, &c., in the British Museum and casts of seals, &c. ... ..			
Conservative and Unionist Women's Franchise Asso- ciation ... ..			1
Co-operative Brotherhood Trust, Ltd., 37 Newington Green Road, N. ... ..			4
Cottrell, H. E. P., Gloucester House, Cavendish Road, S.W. ... ..	24		



	Volumes.	Pamph-lets.	Period-icals.
Craig, Surgeon Lieut.-Col. R. M., 69 York Mansions, Battersea Park, S.W. ... ..	4		
Dougal, F. H., & Co., 151 Strand, W.C. ... ..	1		
Dove, W. T., 97 Marney Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Dunkerly, Miss, 83 Grandison Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Edwards, F. A., 34 Old Park Avenue, S.W. ... ..		1	2
First Church of Christ, Scientist, Sloane Terrace, S.W. ... ..			3
Fisher, F. H., 42 Dorothy Road, S.W. ... ..	1		
FitzGerald, J. H., 5, Amerland Road, S.W. ... ..	1		
Free Trade Union, 8 Victoria Street, S.W. ... ..			1
Freeman, J. W., 262 Lavender Hill, S.W. ... ..			3
Gingell, L. R., 49 Gowrie Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Glossop, Rev. J. F. G., St. Mark's Vicarage, Spencer Park, S.W. ... ..			1
Goymer, R., 155 Church Road, Battersea, S.W. ... ..	2		
Griffiths, F. M., 8 Mallinson Road, S.W. ... ..	1		
H.M. Stationery Office ... ..	3		
Harvey, H. B., 21 Ilminster Gardens, S.W. ... ..			1
Hearts of Oak Benefit Society, Euston Road, N.W. ... ..			1
Hibberd, Mrs. E., 14 Burland Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Hitchcock, W. R., 107 Salcott Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Hogg, J. F., 16A Kathleen Road, S.W. ... ..		1	1
Hudson, H. K., 4 York Mansions, Battersea Park, S.W. ... ..	3		
International Arbitration League, 11 Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C. ... ..			4
Ives, A. C., 85 Grandison Road, S.W. ... ..	4		
King, W. H., 32 Shelgate Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Kirk, Sir John, 32 John Street, W.C. ... ..	1		
Knightly, A., 46 Brook Street, W. ... ..			1
Jennings, A. S., 365 Birkbeck Bank Chambers, W.C. ... ..	1		
Labour Co-partnership Association, 6 Bloomsbury Square, W.C. ... ..	1		
Larking, Capt. A., 23 Barrington Road, S.W. ....	2		
Law Union and Rock Insurance Co., Ltd., Old Sergeants' Inn, E.C. ... ..	1		
Lee, A. E., 51 Worfield Street, S.W. ... ..			1
London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Co. ... ..	1		
London, Corporation of the City of, City Lands Committee, Guildhall, E.C. ... ..	1		
London County Council. Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Statements, as issued ... ..	24	4	4
London County Council School of Photo-Engraving and Lithography, 6 Bolt Court, Fleet Street, E.C. ... ..	1		
London Directory Co., Ltd., 25 Abchurch Lane, E.C. ... ..	3		
Metcalf, Rev. F. W., 13 Sisters Avenue, S.W. ... ..			1
Metropolitan Asylums Board ... ..	1		
Mitchell, Messrs. C. & Co., Ltd., 1 and 2 Snow Hill, E.C. ... ..	1		
Musicians, Incorporated Society of, 19 Berners Street, W. ... ..	6		
National Union of Conservative and Constitutional Associations, St. Stephens' Chambers, Westminster, S.W. ... ..			1
National Union of Teachers, 67 and 71 Russell Square, W.C. ... ..	1		
Navy Records Society ... ..	25		
New Zealand, Government Statistician, Wellington ... ..	1		
New Zealand, High Commissioner for, 13 Victoria Street, S.W. ... ..	2	16	
Northampton, Town Clerk of ... ..	1		
Northampton Polytechnic Institute, St. John's Street, E.C. ... ..	1		
Nova Scotia, Agent General for, 57A Pall Mall, S.W. ... ..	1		



	Volumes.	Pamph-lets.	Period-icals.
Oddfellows, Independent Order of (M.U.), per S. Rowland, 86 Walworth Road, S.E. ...			1
Paton, Messrs. J. & J., 143 Cannon Street, E.C. ...	1		
Pegg, Rev. H. Foster, St. Mary's Vicarage, Albert Bridge Road, S.W. ...			1
Powys, Mrs. C. E., 6 Grove Mansions, Clapham Common, S.W. ...	1		
Proctor, Henry, 146 Mallinson Road, S.W. ...	3		5
Provident Loan Society of New York ...		1	
Ramsey, J. C. S., 115 Harbut Road. One broadside (four copies) ...			
Rational Association Friendly Society, Rational Buildings, Bridge Street, Manchester ...	18		
Rechabites, Independent Order of, Canon Farrar Tent, Battersea, S.W. ...			4
Rechabites, Independent Order of, Hope of Battersea Juvenile Tent, per G. F. Boon, 12 Fontarabia Road, S.W. ...			1
Richards, Messrs. Grant, Ltd., 7 Carlton Street, S.W. ...	1		
Roper-Caldbeck, Major W., c/o Messrs. Grant Richards, Ltd., 7 Carlton Street, W. ...	1		
Royal Colonial Institute, Northumberland Avenue, W.C. ...	1		1
Royal Insurance Co., Ltd., Lombard Street, E.C. ...	1		
Royal National Lifeboat Institution, 22 Charing Cross Road, W.C. ...			1
Sambrooke, Mrs., 25 Prince of Wales Mansions, S.W. ...	11		
Schooling, J. H., Fotheringay House, Twickenham ...	1		
"Schoolmistress," Publishers of, 149 Fleet Street, E.C. ...	2		
Sidney, L., 70 York Mansions, Battersea Park, S.W....	3		
Simpson, J. T., 19 Landgrave Road, Wimbledon ...			3
Sir Walter St. John's Old Boys' Association ...			1
Society of St. Vincent de Paul, per J. Thomson, 85, Wycliffe Road, S.W. ...			3
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Suburban and Provincial Development Association, 29 John Street, W.C. ...	3		
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Taylor, Mrs. H., 98 Cheyne Walk, S.W. ...			1
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Thompson, W. P., 6 Lord Street, Liverpool ...	1		
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Trinity College of Music, London ...	1		
United Kingdom College, Lavender Hill, S.W. ...			1
United States Bureau of Education, Washington ...	2		
University of Illinois, U.S.A....		1	
University Tutorial Press, Burlington House, Cambridge ...	1		
Wallace, Canon C., Ascension Vicarage, Lavender Hill, S.W. ...			1
Wandsworth Union. Minutes of Proceedings, as issued ...	4		
Weadrieff, G., 177 Elsley Road, S.W. ...	1		
Williams, J. H., 133 Lavender Sweep, S.W. ...			1
Winning, T., 11 Meteor Street, S.W. ...			1
Women's National Anti-Suffrage League, Caxton House, Tothill Street, S.W. ...			1
Women's Social and Political Union, Battersea Branch ...			1
Wood, Miss E. J., Sherbrook Lodge, Nightingale Lane, S.W. ...			1

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### CATALOGUES ON SALE.

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Class List of Natural Science, Useful Arts and Fine Arts			..	..	..	2d.
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Catalogue of the Lending Library	..	..	..	..	..	6d.
Indicator-Key of Class F (Fiction)	..	..	..	..	..	2d.

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Indicator-Key of Class F (Fiction)	..	..	..	..	..	2d.

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## PLOUGH ROAD MUSEUM AND RECREATION ROOM.

Opened September, 1906.

Superintendent—J. C. S. RAMSEY.

### SUMMARY ACCOUNT OF VISITORS, ETC., FROM APRIL 1ST, 1912, TO MARCH 31ST, 1913.

Number of Adult Visitors to the Gymnasium	..	..	548
„ Juvenile „ „	..	..	1,489
Amount received for use of Gymnasium	..	..	£10 15s. 5d.
Number of Visitors to the Recreation Room	..	..	8,367
Amount received for use of „ „	..	..	£35 19s. 9d.
„ „ „ Billiard Tables	..	..	£65 6s. 6d.

### LIST OF DONORS AND DONATIONS TO THE MUSEUM.

Goymer, R., 155 Church Road, S.W.

Section of old wooden water pipe, found in Piccadilly.

Nuth, Miss M. E., 13 York Place, Baker Street, W.

Crocodile, 9½ ft long, stuffed and mounted

Clothier, G., 6 Worcester Street, S.W.

Piece of the vertebra of a whale.

Slow, J. W., 4 Frere Street, S.W.

Model of a full-rigged sailing ship.

Little, Miss J. 75 Prince of Wales Mansions, Battersea Park, S.W.

Stuffed pike in glass case.

Owen, C. W., 85 Northcote Road, S.W.

Copy of "Mafeking Mail," No. 71, February 15th, 1900 (26th day of siege), framed and glazed.

Eyre, J., 26 Bridge Road West, S.W.

Specimen of crystal, called "Blue John."

Eight chalk fossils.

Beauchamp, J., 34 High Street, Battersea, S.W.

Banner inscribed "Battersea Provident Society, established April 2nd 1835. Motto, "Bear ye one another's burdens."

Seal of the Battersea Provident Society.

Engraved stone for printing membership forms.







CENTRAL LIBRARY.



# BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

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## TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

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1913-14.

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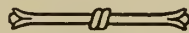
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# REPORT.



The Libraries Committee submit their Report on the Public Libraries for the year ended 31st March, 1914.

The number of registered borrowers is **12,790**, of whom **8,986** are enrolled at the Central Library, **2,427** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,377** at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is **62,272**, of which **21,904** are in the Reference Department, and **22,981** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **9,128** at Lurline Gardens, and **8,259** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **2,159** volumes, **237** of these having been presented and **1,922** purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was **438,938**, of which **145,974** were given out in the Reference Department, and **187,817** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **61,370** at Lurline Gardens, and **43,777** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were **424,843**.

It may be observed that the total number of volumes issued, **438,938**, is the largest recorded in one year since the opening of the Libraries, this result being chiefly due to the increase in the Reference Department issues of **13,772** volumes during the year.

For some time past the Committee have had under consideration the question of providing books in raised type for the use of blind readers, and they have come to the conclusion that the best method of making such provision would be by subscribing to the

“Incorporated National Lending Library for the Blind,” 125 Queen’s Road, Bayswater, which possesses a large stock of books in all classes of literature printed in the Braille type. Accordingly, in October last, an arrangement was entered into with that Library whereby, in return for an annual subscription of £5, twenty volumes can be borrowed each month for the use of blind persons residing in Battersea. These books are placed in the Lending Department of the Central Library and are issued to borrowers in the usual way. On the 31st March, 1914, the number of blind readers registered was 14, and 147 volumes had been issued to them. This result was considered so satisfactory that it has been decided to double the annual subscription to the Lending Library for the Blind, and 60 volumes can now be borrowed at one time, thus providing a reasonable margin of choice for the number of readers enrolled, their requirements being consulted, as far as possible, in the selection of the books. For some years past “The Braille Literary Journal” has been included among the periodicals taken at the Central Library, and “Progress,” also printed in the Braille type, has been recently added.

The usual detailed statistical information, lists of donors to the Libraries and Museum, &c., are appended.

JOHN KENNY, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,

LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

20th May, 1914.



# APPENDIX.

ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK  
SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	...	...	...	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	...	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233
1907-08	108,546	193,218	69,134	56,462	427,360	55,937
1908-09	109,401	199,386	65,829	52,671	427,287	56,879
1909-10	115,688	201,551	67,163	50,497	434,899	57,523
1910-11	118,913	196,871	62,006	47,851	425,641	57,949
1911-12	125,319	192,694	56,510	44,828	419,351	59,210
1912-13	132,202	191,708	59,502	41,431	424,843	60,130
1913-14	145,974	187,817	61,370	43,777	438,938	62,272



# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

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## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1913	...	21,042
„ „ added 1913-1914	... ..	864
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	2
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1914	...	21,904
„ „ issued 1913-1914	... ..	145,974
Daily Average	... ..	408
Number of Volumes bound	... ..	380
Books replaced by new copies	... ..	8

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### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1913	...	22,085
„ „ added 1913-1914	... ..	906
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	10
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1914	...	22,981
„ „ issued 1913-1914	... ..	187,817
Daily Average	... ..	623
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	127,677
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1913	...	5,297
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1914	...	8,986
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	1,284
„ Students' Tickets in force on March 31st, 1914	...	1,072
„ Volumes bound	... ..	1,779
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	1,300
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	20
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	...	95

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1913-1914.

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				1913.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1914.
Class 0	General Works	...	...	5,029	114	—	5,143
„ 1	Philosophy	...	...	285	8	—	293
„ 2	Religion	...	...	1,238	50	1	1,287
„ 3	Sociology	...	...	3,244	186	—	3,430
„ 4	Philology	...	...	209	3	—	212
„ 5	Natural Science	...	...	1,203	26	—	1,229
„ 6	Useful Arts	...	...	1,078	51	—	1,129
„ 7	Fine Arts	...	...	1,042	68	—	1,110
„ 8	Literature	...	...	2,736	182	—	2,918
„ 9	History	...	...	4,978	176	1	5,153
Totals				21,042	864	2	21,904

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1913-1914.

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				1913.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1914.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	...	...	1,311	41	—	1,352
„ B	Sociology	...	...	1,020	51	—	1,071
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	...	...	2,541	94	1	2,634
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	...	...	6,704	223	5	6,922
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	...	...	827	52	2	877
„ F	Prose Fiction	...	...	5,643	213	2	5,854
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	...	...	2,556	100	—	2,656
„ J	Juvenile Literature	...	...	1,483	132	—	1,615
Totals				22,085	906	10	22,981

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TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM APRIL 1st, 1913, TO  
MARCH 31st, 1914.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1913.													
April ...	1,967	761	905	930	855	1,144	1,126	1,037	1,766	1,858	12,349	30	411
May ...	1,962	720	943	941	884	1,134	1,165	1,176	1,725	1,896	12,546	31	404
June ...	1,700	606	736	739	745	914	933	931	1,517	1,633	10,454	30	348
July ...	1,448	597	682	703	674	855	827	828	1,197	1,406	9,217	24	384
August ...	1,709	719	823	860	780	966	981	942	1,461	1,657	10,898	31	351
September	1,801	707	779	827	778	1,012	1,155	1,137	1,465	1,807	11,468	30	382
October ...	1,970	832	935	1,021	957	1,122	1,301	1,289	1,782	2,019	13,228	31	426
November	1,873	639	785	869	1,179	1,021	1,096	1,214	1,540	1,877	12,093	30	403
December	1,678	523	765	809	1,597	880	1,013	1,033	1,424	1,587	11,309	30	377
1914.													
January ...	2,097	771	1,009	1,082	1,134	1,214	1,290	1,421	1,777	2,082	13,877	31	447
February	2,023	691	855	940	975	962	1,288	1,340	1,647	2,171	12,892	28	460
March ...	2,395	881	963	1,129	1,613	1,206	1,434	1,502	1,841	2,679	15,643	31	504
Totals ...	22,623	8,447	10,180	10,850	12,171	12,430	13,609	13,850	19,142	22,672	145,974	357	408

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.), 1913-1914.

Total Issue (April 1st, 1913, to March 31st, 1914)	...	...	3,729
Sundays open	...	...	51
Average Sunday issue	...	...	73

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM 1ST APRIL, 1913, TO  
31st MARCH, 1914.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1913.											
April ...	172	119	893	1,036	227	11,002	691	3,522	17,662	26	679
May ...	158	103	781	972	229	9,949	617	2,910	15,719	26	604
June ...	103	57	563	653	164	7,065	414	1,807	10,826	24	451
July ...	128	62	622	660	170	7,124	427	1,804	10,997	21	523
August ...	131	87	751	775	198	9,063	449	1,924	13,378	25	535
September	153	102	953	992	244	10,193	604	2,471	15,712	26	604
October ...	160	142	900	1,042	305	10,587	620	3,085	16,841	27	623
November	143	145	885	997	274	10,741	652	3,222	17,059	25	682
December	113	111	824	799	217	9,397	562	3,178	15,201	24	633
1914.											
January ...	173	133	932	1,032	264	11,624	685	3,539	18,382	27	680
February	131	174	944	1,034	235	10,900	622	3,266	17,306	24	721
March ...	163	155	1,013	1,144	277	11,607	630	3,745	18,734	26	720
Totals	1,728	1,390	10,061	11,136	2,804	119,252	6,973	34,473	187,817	301	623



## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1913	...	8,879
„ „ added 1913-1914	... ..	249
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1914	...	9,128
„ „ issued 1913-1914	... ..	61,370
Daily Average	... ..	203
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	36,116
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1913	...	1,478
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1914	...	2,427
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	373
„ Students' Tickets in force on March 31st, 1914		145
„ Volumes bound	... ..	862
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	464
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	2
„ destroyed and paid for by Health Department	...	31

## CLASSIFICATION OF BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1913-1914.

	1913.	Addi- tions.	1914.
Class A Religion and Philosophy	311	3	314
„ B Sociology	287	12	299
„ C Arts, Sciences and Natural History	673	9	682
„ D History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	2,132	25	2,157
„ E Poetry and the Drama	338	5	343
„ F Prose Fiction	3,172	106	3,278
„ G Miscellaneous Literature	763	6	769
„ H Magazines	3	—	3
„ J Juvenile Literature	876	76	952
Works of Reference	324	7	331
Totals	8,879	249	9,128







LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.



LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.





## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT  
LURLINE GARDENS FROM 1ST APRIL, 1913, TO  
31ST MARCH, 1914.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily Average.
1913.											
April ...	28	35	129	258	35	3,741	108	1,030	5,364	26	206
May ...	24	27	134	247	44	3,419	96	879	4,870	26	187
June ...	9	25	129	163	30	2,540	69	642	3,607	24	150
July ...	30	23	80	131	23	2,317	53	626	3,283	21	156
August ...	42	29	157	211	57	3,280	90	964	4,830	25	195
September	26	22	128	245	54	3,645	109	1,025	5,254	26	202
October ...	28	25	138	221	62	3,622	120	959	5,175	27	191
November	25	31	129	223	42	3,585	149	1,043	5,227	25	209
December	21	17	100	179	41	3,152	96	1,001	4,607	24	191
1914.											
January ...	22	25	111	267	27	3,902	121	1,378	5,853	27	216
February	49	42	179	321	65	3,996	127	1,533	6,312	24	263
March ...	37	42	176	315	82	4,407	126	1,803	6,988	26	268
Totals	341	343	1,590	2,781	562	41,606	1,264	12,883	61,370	301	203



## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1913	...	8,124
„ „ added 1913-1914	... ..	140
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	5
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1914	...	8,259
„ „ issued 1913-1914	... ..	43,777
Daily Average	... ..	145
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	29,655
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1913	...	823
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1914	...	1,377
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	265
„ Students' Tickets in force	... ..	53
„ Volumes bound	... ..	358
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	419
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	1
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		40

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1913-1914.

		1913.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1914.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	... 467	3	—	470
„ B	Sociology	... .. 302	7	—	309
„ C	Arts, Sciences and Natural History	... .. 606	2	—	608
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy and Travels	... 1,631	9	—	1,640
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	... 298	2	—	300
„ F	Prose Fiction	... .. 3,314	52	5	3,361
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	... 634	3	—	637
„ H	Magazines	... .. 5	—	—	5
„ J	Juvenile Literature	... .. 867	62	—	929
	Totals	... .. 8,124	140	5	8,259

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS  
HALL FROM 1ST APRIL, 1913, TO 31ST MARCH, 1914.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1913.											
April ...	26	15	40	88	33	2,519	41	1,300	4,062	26	156
May ...	10	29	79	108	35	2,969	55	1,440	4,725	26	181
June ...	15	17	54	74	24	1,840	35	941	3,000	24	125
July ...	18	13	35	59	19	1,570	26	708	2,448	21	116
August ...	16	8	31	84	18	1,842	30	739	2,768	25	110
September	20	8	47	70	20	2,202	34	889	3,290	26	127
October ...	29	16	67	81	24	2,315	36	1,009	3,577	27	132
November	16	12	49	96	24	2,313	48	916	3,474	25	138
December	20	31	79	106	47	2,490	69	1,120	3,962	24	165
1914.											
January ...	31	31	97	127	59	2,926	66	1,305	4,642	27	171
February	21	17	66	119	24	2,271	56	1,004	3,578	24	149
March ...	19	24	75	130	28	2,557	49	1,369	4,251	26	163
Totals ...	241	221	719	1,142	355	27,814	545	12,740	43,777	301	145

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &amp;c.

	Volumes.	Pamph-lets.	Period-icals.
Accountants and Auditors, Society of Incorporated, 50 Gresham Street, E.C. ... ..	3		3
Accountants, Central Association of, Moorgate Station Chambers, E.C. ... ..	1		3
Andrews, A., 64 Marney Road, S.W. ... ..	7		3
Anonymous ... ..			
Association of Trade Protection Societies of the United Kingdom, 16 Berners Street, W. ... ..			1
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British Museum, Trustees of ... ..	3		
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Burns, Rt. Hon. John, M.P., "Athelstan," 37 Lavender Gardens, S.W. ... ..	61	2	
Buxton, Noel, M.P., c/o The Balkan Committee, Queen Anne Chambers, Westminster, S.W. ... ..	1		
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Dove, W. T., 97 Marney Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Dunkerly, Miss, 83 Grandison Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Durning-Lawrence, Edith, Lady, 13 Carlton House Terrace, S.W. ... ..	1		
Durning-Lawrence, Sir Edwin, 13 Carlton House Terrace, S.W. Facsimile of page from the Second Folio Shakespeare ... ..		1	
Evans, Rev. B. Arberth, 59 Park Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W. ... ..	1		

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Exhibitors' Supply Association, Ltd., <i>per</i> E. F. Cox, Secretary, 65-66 Chancery Lane, W.C. ... ..	1	1	
Eyre, John, 26 Bridge Road West, S.W. ... ..			
First Church of Christ, Scientist, Sloane Terrace, S.W. ... ..			3
Foreman, S. W., 173B Latchmere Road, S.W. ... ..	1		
Foulke, W. D., Richmond, Indiana, U.S.A. ... ..	1		
Free Trade Union, 8 Victoria Street, S.W. ... ..			1
Freeman, J. W., 262 Lavender Hill, S.W. ... ..			3
Fryer, Dr. A. C., 13 Eaton Crescent, Clifton, Bristol	1		
Garrod, Mrs., 13 Gainsborough Gardens, Well Walk, Hampstead, N.W. ... ..	3		
Gingell, L. R., 49 Gowrie Road, S.W. ... ..			3
Glossop, Rev. J. F. G., St. Mark's Vicarage, Spencer Park, S.W. ... ..			1
Goldsmid, Mrs. B., 118 Nightingale Lane, S.W. ... ..	3		
Great Western Railway Co. ... ..	2		
Greeno, F. L., 909 Wilder Building, Rochester, New York ... ..	1		
Grey, Rt. Hon. the Earl, 43 Bishopsgate, E.C. ... ..	1		
H.M. Stationery Office ... ..	1		
Hamilton, Canada, Commissioner of Industries, City Hall ... ..	1		
Hammersmith Borough Council ... ..	1		
Harvey, H. B., 21 Iminster Gardens, S.W. ... ..			1
Hawes, W. B., 21 Fitzwilliam Road, Clapham, S.W.	3		
Hearts of Oak Benefit Society, Euston Road, N.W. ...			1
Heron, Messrs. E. T., & Co., Tottenham Street, W. ...	1		
Hibberd, Mrs. E., 14 Burland Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Hitchcock, W. R., 107 Salcott Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Hogg, J. Frederick, 126 Latchmere Road, S.W. ... ..			3
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Hurry, Dr. J. B., Westfield, Reading ... ..	1		
Inkster, L., Central Library, Battersea ... ..	1		
International Arbitration League, 11 Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C. ... ..			4
Jarrold, Messrs. & Sons, 10-11 Warwick Lane, E.C.	2		
Kemball, Lady, 38 Sussex Square, Brighton ... ..	1		
King, W. H., 32 Shelgate Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Knightly, A., 46 Brook Street, W. ... ..			1
Lee, A. E., 51 Worfield Street, S.W. ... ..			1
London, Brighton and South Coast Railway ... ..	4		
London, Corporation of the City of ... ..	1		
London County Council. Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Statements (as issued) ... ..	20		4
London Directory Co., Ltd., 25 Abchurch Lane, E.C. ... ..	4		
Macmillan, Messrs. & Co., Ltd., St. Martin's Street, W.C. ... ..	3		
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Metropolitan Asylums Board ... ..	1		
Metropolitan Water Board. Minutes of Proceedings (as issued) ... ..			
National Service League, 72 Victoria Street, S.W. ...			1
National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, 40 Leicester Square, W.C. ... ..	1		
National Union of Conservative and Constitutional Associations, St. Stephen's Chambers, West- minster ... ..			1



	Volumes,	Pamph- lets.	Period- icals.
National Union of Teachers, 67 and 71 Russell Square, W.C. ... ..	1		
Nayler, John, J.P., Chudleigh Vale, Dudley Road, Wimbledon ... ..	1		
New South Wales, Agent-General for ... ..	1		
New Zealand, Government Statistician, Wellington	1		
New Zealand, High Commissioner for, 13 Victoria Street, S.W. ... ..	1	18	
New Zealand, Patent Office ... ..			1
Oddfellows, Independent Order of (M.U.), <i>per</i> S. Rowland, 86 Walworth Road, S.E. ... ..			1
"Order of the Cross," Paignton ... ..	1		
Page, G. A., 107 Highbury New Park, N. ... ..	1		
Palmer, Joseph, c/o A. H. Stockwell, 29 Ludgate Hill, E.C. ... ..	1		
Paton, Messrs. J. & J., 143 Cannon Street, E.C. ... ..	1		
Paul (Kegan), Trench, Trübner, Messrs. & Co., Ltd., 68-74 Carter Lane, E.C. ... ..	3		
Pegg, Rev. H. Foster, St. Mary's Vicarage, Albert Bridge Road, S.W. ... ..			1
Phibbs, Isabelle M., 15 Wilton Place, Knightsbridge, S.W. ... ..	1		
Phillips, Miss G., 34 Lavender Gardens, S.W. ... ..	4		
Powys, Mrs. C., 6 Grove Mansions, Clapham Common, S.W. ... ..	2		
Proctor, Henry, 146 Mallinson Road, S.W. ... ..	3		5
Rational Association Friendly Society, Rational Buildings, Bridge Street, Manchester ... ..	18		
Reading, Corporation of, <i>per</i> W. S. Clutterbuck, Town Clerk ... ..	4		
Rechabites, Independent Order of, Canon Farrar Tent, Battersea ... ..			4
Rechabites, Independent Order of, Hope of Battersea Juvenile Tent, <i>per</i> G. R. Boon ... ..			1
Research Defence Society, 21 Ladbroke Square, W. ... ..	1		
Robins, Rev. A. S., 176 Ramsden Road, S.W. ... ..		1	
Rosaville Press, 26 Charing Cross Road, W.C. ... ..	1		
Royal Colonial Institute, Northumberland Avenue, W.C. ... ..	1		1
Royal National Lifeboat Institution, 22 Charing Cross Road, W.C. ... ..	3		1
Rushby, Rev. Wm., "Studley," 41 West Side, Clapham Common, S.W. ... ..			1
St. Louis Public Library, Mo., U.S.A. ... ..		1	
"Schoolmistress," Publishers of, 149 Fleet Street, E.C. ... ..	2		
Shrimpton, W. E., 345 Queen's Road, S.W. ... ..	1		
Simcoe, H. A., 79 Romilly Crescent, Cardiff ... ..	1		
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Smith, Wellen, Killiney House, South Croxted Road, West Dulwich, S.E. ... ..	1		
Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A. ... ..	2		
Society of St. Vincent de Paul, <i>per</i> J. Thomson, 85 Wycliffe Road, S.W. ... ..			3
Sopote, M., Union Society, Oxford ... ..	1		
South London Workers' Educational Association ... ..			3
Stuart, Mrs. L. E., Carrow Abbey, Norwich ... ..	1		
Tariff Reform League, 7 Victoria Street, S.W. ... ..			4
Taylor, Mrs. H., 98 Cheyne Walk, S.W. ... ..			1
Theosophical Publishing Society, 161 New Bond Street, W. ... ..	1		
Thomas, Mrs., 6 Elspeth Road, S.W. ... ..			1



	Volumes	Pamph- lets.	Period- icals.
Tonic Sol-fa College, 26 Bloomsbury Square, W.C. ...	1		
Trinity College of Music, Mandeville Place, W. ...	1		
Union of Societies for the Blind, Denison House, Room 47, 296 Vauxhall Bridge Road, S.W. ...		1	
United Kingdom College, Lavender Hill, S.W. ...			1
United States Bureau of Education, Washington ...	2		
University Correspondence College, Burlington House, Cambridge ... ..	1		
Wallace, Rev. C., Ascension Vicarage, Lavender Hill, S.W. ... ..			1
Wandsworth Union. Minutes of Proceedings (as issued) ... ..	1		
Webb, A. J., 53 Dorothy Road, S.W. ... ..	1		
Williams, J. C., Caerhays Castle, Gorran, Cornwall	2		
Williams, J. H., 133 Lavender Sweep, S.W. ... ..			1
Winning, T., 11 Meteor Street, S.W. ... ..			1
Women's National Anti-Suffrage League, Caxton House, Tothill Street, Westminster, S.W. ...			1
Wood, Miss E. J., Sherbrooke Lodge, Nightingale Lane, S.W. ... ..			1
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## SUMMARY ACCOUNT OF VISITORS, ETC., FROM APRIL 1ST, 1913, TO MARCH 31ST, 1914.

Number of Adult Visitors to the Gymnasium	...	...	525
„ Juvenile „ „	...	...	1,258
Amount received for use of Gymnasium	...	...	£9 12s. 8d.
Number of Visitors to the Recreation Room	...	...	9,219
Amount received for use of „ „	...	...	£39 7s. 3d.
„ „ „ Billiard Tables	...	...	£83 14s. 3d.

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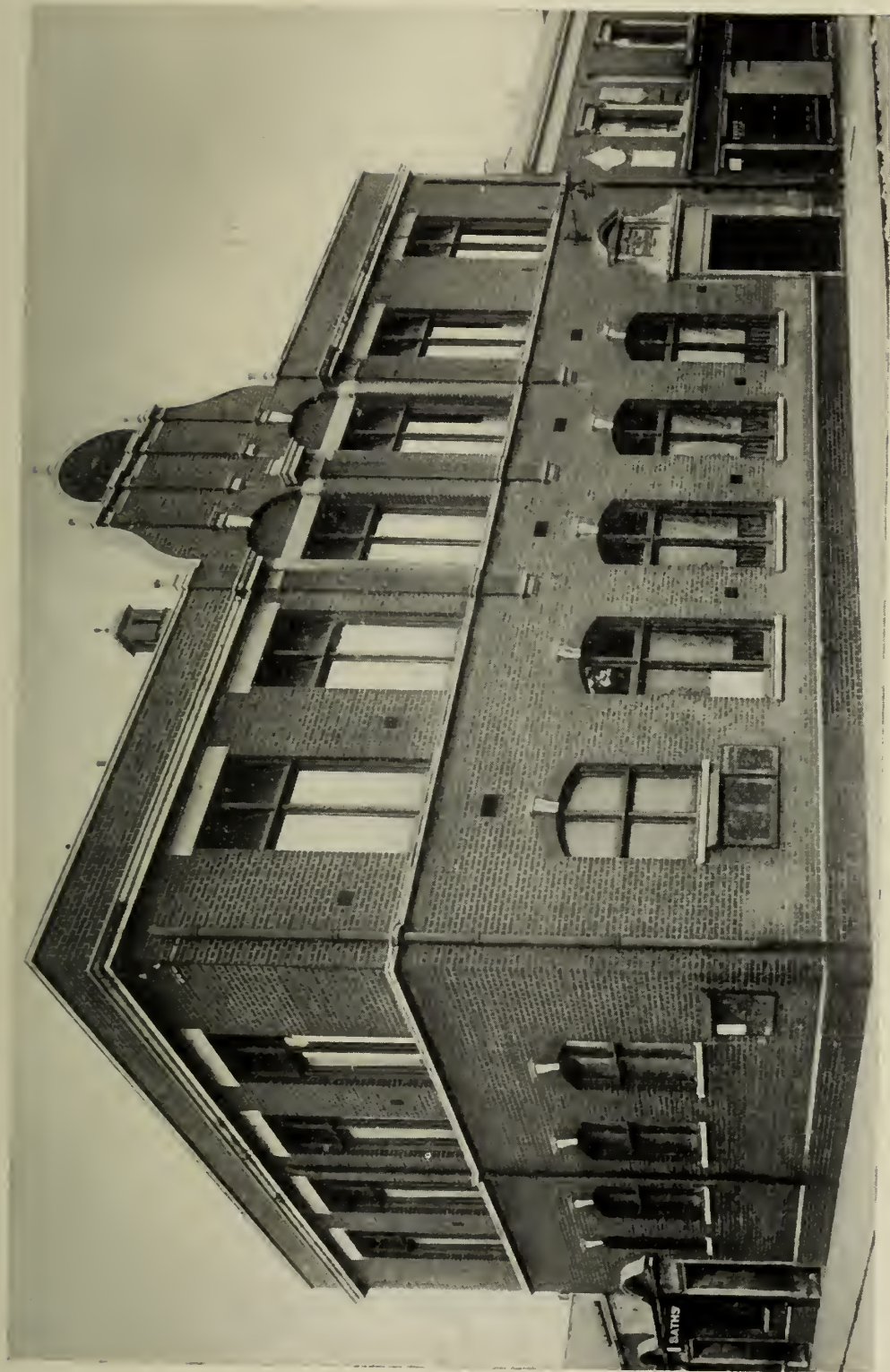
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Dunbar, Miss R., 16 Onslow Gardens, S.W.

Collection of 120 birds' eggs. Four animals' skulls. Yellow partridge, mounted, in case. Five young partridges, mounted, in case. Seagull, mounted, in case. Squirrel, mounted, in case. Skin of a hyena. Hyena's head. Skull and horns of an antelope.







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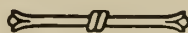
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# REPORT.



The Libraries Committee submit their Report on the Public Libraries for the year ended 31st March, 1915.

The number of registered borrowers is **12,508**, of whom **8,814** are enrolled at the Central Library, **2,367** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,327** at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is **64,152**, of which **22,806** are in the Reference Department, and **23,584** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **9,356** at Lurline Gardens, and **8,406** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **2,250** volumes, **410** of these having been presented and **1,840** purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was **418,043**, of which **128,885** were given out in the Reference Department, and **186,334** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **60,628** at Lurline Gardens, and **42,196** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were **438,938**.

As might naturally be expected, the work of the Libraries has not escaped the general disturbance resulting from the War, and the number of volumes issued is 20,895 less than that of the previous year. Of this number, 17,089 represent the decrease in the Reference Library, and 3,806 that of the three Lending Departments, where a decline of 5,844 in the issue of fiction indicates an increase in the other classes. It is thus seen that the heaviest loss was sustained by the Reference Library ; it was felt immediately the War broke out, and may be attributed to the enlistment in the Army of a number of young students who were regular readers in the Department. There are signs of a recovery, however, and it is probable that next year's figures will once more record an increase in the number of books consulted.

The usual detailed statistical information, lists of donors to the Libraries and Museum, &c., are appended.

W. A. ANDREWS, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,

LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.

5th May, 1915,

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

YEAR.	Reference Library.	Lending Library.	Lurline Gardens Branch.	Lammas Hall Branch.	Total Issues.	Total Stock.
1888-89	...	...	...	46,403	46,403	5,357
1889-90	3,059	28,293	...	89,473	120,825	22,841
1890-91	17,971	192,766	25,725	45,701	282,163	28,740
1891-92	15,864	178,261	46,146	39,387	279,658	30,038
1892-93	18,212	171,558	47,062	38,159	274,991	31,550
1893-94	22,756	178,936	49,869	37,679	289,240	32,981
1894-95	20,753	180,484	56,232	39,050	296,519	34,460
1895-96	17,996	136,129	44,720	28,917	227,762	35,860
1896-97	19,697	164,238	54,944	33,280	272,159	38,959
1897-98	21,746	165,919	59,829	36,987	284,481	40,930
1898-99	23,098	166,150	58,854	39,537	287,639	42,775
1899-1900	23,858	187,602	68,573	49,830	329,863	46,314
1900-01	21,632	221,337	74,479	58,915	376,363	48,941
1901-02	24,964	231,301	89,541	60,165	405,971	50,776
1902-03	30,876	232,187	90,571	55,891	409,525	51,624
1903-04	38,446	228,391	87,796	55,014	409,647	53,033
1904-05	57,218	216,179	77,002	50,983	401,382	53,813
1905-06	60,638	214,092	74,221	59,621	408,572	54,300
1906-07	93,083	197,072	68,200	60,860	419,215	55,233
1907-08	108,546	193,218	69,134	56,462	427,360	55,937
1908-09	109,401	199,386	65,829	52,671	427,287	56,879
1909-10	115,688	201,551	67,163	50,497	434,899	57,523
1910-11	118,913	196,871	62,006	47,851	425,641	57,949
1911-12	125,319	192,694	56,510	44,828	419,351	59,210
1912-13	132,202	191,708	59,502	41,431	424,843	60,130
1913-14	145,974	187,817	61,370	43,777	438,938	62,272
1914-15	128,885	186,334	60,628	42,196	418,043	64,152

# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

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## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1914	...	21,904
„ „ added 1914-1915	... ..	914
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	12
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1915	...	22,806
„ „ issued 1914-1915	... ..	128,885
Daily Average	... ..	361
Number of Volumes bound	... ..	567

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### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1914	...	22,981
„ „ added 1914-1915	... ..	852
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	249
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1915	...	23,584
„ „ issued 1914-1915	... ..	186,334
Daily Average	... ..	621
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	132,892
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1914	...	5,215
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1915	...	8,814
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	1,370
„ Students' Tickets in force on March 31st, 1915	...	1,081
„ Volumes bound	... ..	1,499
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	877
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	12
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department	...	93

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT,  
1914-1915.

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				1914.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1915.
Class 0	General Works	...	...	5,143	89	—	5,232
„ 1	Philosophy	...	...	293	3	—	296
„ 2	Religion	...	...	1,287	33	1	1,319
„ 3	Sociology	...	...	3,430	317	1	3,746
„ 4	Philology	...	...	212	10	8	214
„ 5	Natural Science	...	...	1,229	31	1	1,259
„ 6	Useful Arts	...	...	1,129	52	—	1,181
„ 7	Fine Arts	...	...	1,110	61	—	1,171
„ 8	Literature	...	...	2,918	139	—	3,057
„ 9	History	...	...	5,153	179	1	5,331
Totals				21,904	914	12	22,806

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CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND  
ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT,  
1914-1915.

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				1914.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1915.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	...	...	1,352	35	3	1,384
„ B	Sociology	...	...	1,071	80	—	1,151
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	...	...	2,634	102	2	2,734
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels	...	...	6,922	241	5	7,158
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	...	...	877	23	1	899
„ F	Prose Fiction	...	...	5,854	182	132	5,904
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	...	...	2,656	76	15	2,717
„ H	Books in Braille Type	...	...	—	20	—	20
„ J	Juvenile Literature	...	...	1,615	93	91	1,617
Totals				22,981	852	249	23,584

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TABLE  
SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM 1ST APRIL, 1914, TO  
31st MARCH, 1915.

Month.	General Works.	Philosophy.	Religion.	Sociology.	Philology.	Natural Science.	Useful Arts.	Fine Arts.	Literature.	History.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1914.													
April ...	1,980	775	798	850	1,045	1,114	1,163	1,215	1,565	2,231	12,736	30	424
May ...	1,942	744	816	808	1,048	1,023	1,041	1,086	1,614	2,124	12,246	31	395
June ...	1,698	586	638	596	966	798	918	885	1,101	1,864	10,050	30	335
July ...	1,194	395	431	465	528	530	631	656	878	1,417	7,125	24	296
August ...	1,297	236	400	495	650	539	705	601	938	1,526	7,387	31	238
September	1,609	281	492	552	781	610	826	758	1,075	1,897	8,881	30	296
October ...	1,857	383	582	699	1,020	925	1,004	847	1,400	2,175	10,892	31	351
November	1,741	369	661	725	1,011	988	1,123	1,005	1,493	2,178	11,294	30	376
December	1,557	336	678	709	915	954	1,292	908	1,501	2,352	11,202	30	373
1915.													
January ...	1,921	304	780	743	985	1,066	1,259	946	1,629	2,362	11,995	31	386
February	1,784	323	734	669	841	1,207	1,140	1,008	1,418	2,304	11,428	28	408
March ...	2,292	336	741	877	1,181	1,082	1,280	1,300	1,854	2,706	13,649	31	440
Totals ...	20,872	5,068	7,751	8,188	10,971	10,836	12,382	11,215	16,466	25,136	128,885	357	361

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE  
DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.), 1914-1915.

Total Issue (April 1st, 1914, to March 31st, 1915)	...	...	3,407
Sundays open	...	...	51
Average Sunday issue	...	...	66



TABLE  
SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE  
LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM 1ST APRIL, 1914, TO  
31ST MARCH, 1915.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Books in Braille Type.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1914.												
April ...	128	145	782	927	221	10,231	540	—	3,256	16,230	24	676
May ...	141	150	850	957	222	10,826	595	—	3,055	16,796	26	646
June ...	97	85	567	656	145	7,445	365	—	2,306	11,666	24	486
July ...	94	86	563	667	107	6,823	352	—	2,061	10,753	21	512
August ...	94	84	590	714	191	9,307	448	—	2,698	14,126	25	565
September	93	149	735	855	201	10,098	553	22	3,158	15,864	26	610
October ...	104	137	835	1,018	230	10,648	509	24	3,550	17,055	27	631
November	97	129	791	902	203	9,503	452	24	3,345	15,446	25	617
December	83	114	748	813	211	8,852	453	27	3,167	14,468	25	578
1915.												
January ...	113	139	896	947	230	10,780	539	40	3,873	17,557	26	675
February	71	149	884	985	210	10,633	561	27	3,802	17,322	24	721
March ...	97	190	927	1,126	267	11,495	605	31	4,313	19,051	27	705
Totals	1,212	1,557	9,168	10,567	2,438	116,641	5,972	195	38,584	186,334	300	621





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„ „ added 1914-1915	... ..	302
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	74
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1915	...	9,356
„ „ issued 1914-1915	... ..	60,628
Daily Average	... ..	202
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	37,513
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1914	...	1,397
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1915	...	2,367
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	421
„ Students' Tickets in force on March 31st, 1915		165
„ Volumes bound	... ..	985
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	513
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	5
„ destroyed and paid for by Health Department	...	36

## CLASSIFICATION OF BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1914-1915.

		1914.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions-	1915.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	... 314	11	—	325
„ B	Sociology	... .. 299	34	—	333
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	... .. 682	12	1	693
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels	... 2,157	77	7	2,227
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	... 343	8	—	351
„ F	Prose Fiction	... .. 3,278	80	36	3,322
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	... 769	18	1	786
„ H	Magazines	... .. 3	—	—	3
„ J	Juvenile Literature	... 952	53	27	978
Works of Reference	... ..	331	9	2	338
Totals		... .. 9,128	302	74	9,356

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT  
LURLINE GARDENS FROM 1st APRIL, 1914, TO  
31st MARCH, 1915.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1914.											
April ...	20	18	121	234	36	3,709	84	1,259	5,481	24	228
May ...	33	26	133	256	43	3,954	92	1,240	5,777	26	222
June ...	36	38	119	185	46	3,072	77	1,084	4,657	24	194
July ...	16	28	103	143	35	2,641	50	937	3,953	21	188
August ...	24	42	112	210	64	3,261	69	1,249	5,031	25	201
September	31	39	117	213	79	3,495	85	1,334	5,393	26	207
October ...	15	28	101	171	52	3,305	54	1,154	4,880	27	180
November	10	28	105	187	30	3,099	59	1,150	4,668	25	186
December	11	28	71	174	31	2,896	51	1,162	4,424	25	176
1915.											
January ...	10	30	129	198	43	3,514	74	1,410	5,408	26	208
February	16	37	135	244	46	3,315	101	1,348	5,242	24	218
March ...	16	47	156	267	45	3,547	104	1,532	5,714	27	211
Totals	238	389	1,402	2,482	550	39,808	900	14,859	60,628	300	202

## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

Number of Volumes in Stock on April 1st, 1914	...	8,259
„ „ added 1914-1915	... ..	182
„ „ withdrawn	... ..	35
„ „ in Stock on March 31st, 1915	...	8,406
„ „ issued 1914-1915	... ..	42,196
Daily average	... ..	140
Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening	... ..	30,529
„ „ „ „ April 1st, 1914	...	874
„ „ „ „ on March 31st, 1915	...	1,327
„ Juvenile Borrowers	... ..	293
„ Students' Tickets in force	... ..	55
„ Volumes bound	... ..	360
Books worn out and replaced by new copies	... ..	508
„ replaced by Borrowers	... ..	3
„ destroyed and paid for by the Health Department		25

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT  
LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1914-1915.

		1914.	Addi- tions.	Deduc- tions.	1915.
Class A	Religion and Philosophy	470	—	1	469
„ B	Sociology	309	25	—	334
„ C	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History	608	2	1	609
„ D	History, Biography, Geo- graphy, and Travels	1,640	57	5	1,692
„ E	Poetry and the Drama	300	3	1	302
„ F	Prose Fiction	3,361	37	19	3,379
„ G	Miscellaneous Literature	637	6	—	643
„ H	Magazines	5	—	—	5
„ J	Juvenile Literature	929	52	8	973
	Totals	8,259	182	35	8,406

## TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS  
HALL FROM 1ST APRIL, 1914, TO 31ST MARCH, 1915.

Month.	Religion and Philosophy.	Sociology.	Arts, Sciences, and Natural History.	History, Biography, Geography, and Travels.	Poetry and the Drama.	Prose Fiction.	Miscellaneous Literature.	Juvenile Literature.	Totals.	Days open.	Daily average.
1914.											
April ...	26	21	59	113	31	2,423	51	961	3,685	24	153
May ...	18	21	74	141	43	2,699	54	1,108	4,158	26	159
June ...	7	10	46	80	25	1,822	23	770	2,783	24	115
July ...	7	15	49	75	13	1,600	24	707	2,490	21	118
August ...	8	9	59	117	32	2,219	38	976	3,458	25	138
September	16	15	50	95	28	2,289	34	1,006	3,533	26	135
October ...	15	17	58	118	17	2,166	57	1,119	3,567	27	132
November	10	16	59	145	16	2,055	35	1,183	3,519	25	140
December	5	13	67	135	23	1,963	53	1,173	3,432	25	137
1915.											
January ...	6	10	79	146	25	2,352	57	1,140	3,815	26	146
February	8	7	55	97	20	2,271	30	1,118	3,606	24	150
March ...	9	13	69	128	27	2,520	41	1,343	4,150	27	153
Totals ...	135	167	724	1,390	300	26,379	497	12,604	42,196	300	140



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31ST MARCH, 1915.

Number of Adult Visitors to the Gymnasium	...	...	275
„ Juvenile „ „	...	...	912
Amount received for use of Gymnasium	...	...	£6 2s. 5d.
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Amount received for use of „ „	...	...	£32 8s. 1d.
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BOROUGH OF BATTERSEA.

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Population (1911), 167,793.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,139 acres.

Rateable value, £1,008,945.

Amount produced by penny rate, £4,010.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16th March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1st June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20th July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27th September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25th October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26th March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30th September, 1890.

The Libraries transferred to the Vestry, 26th March, 1896.

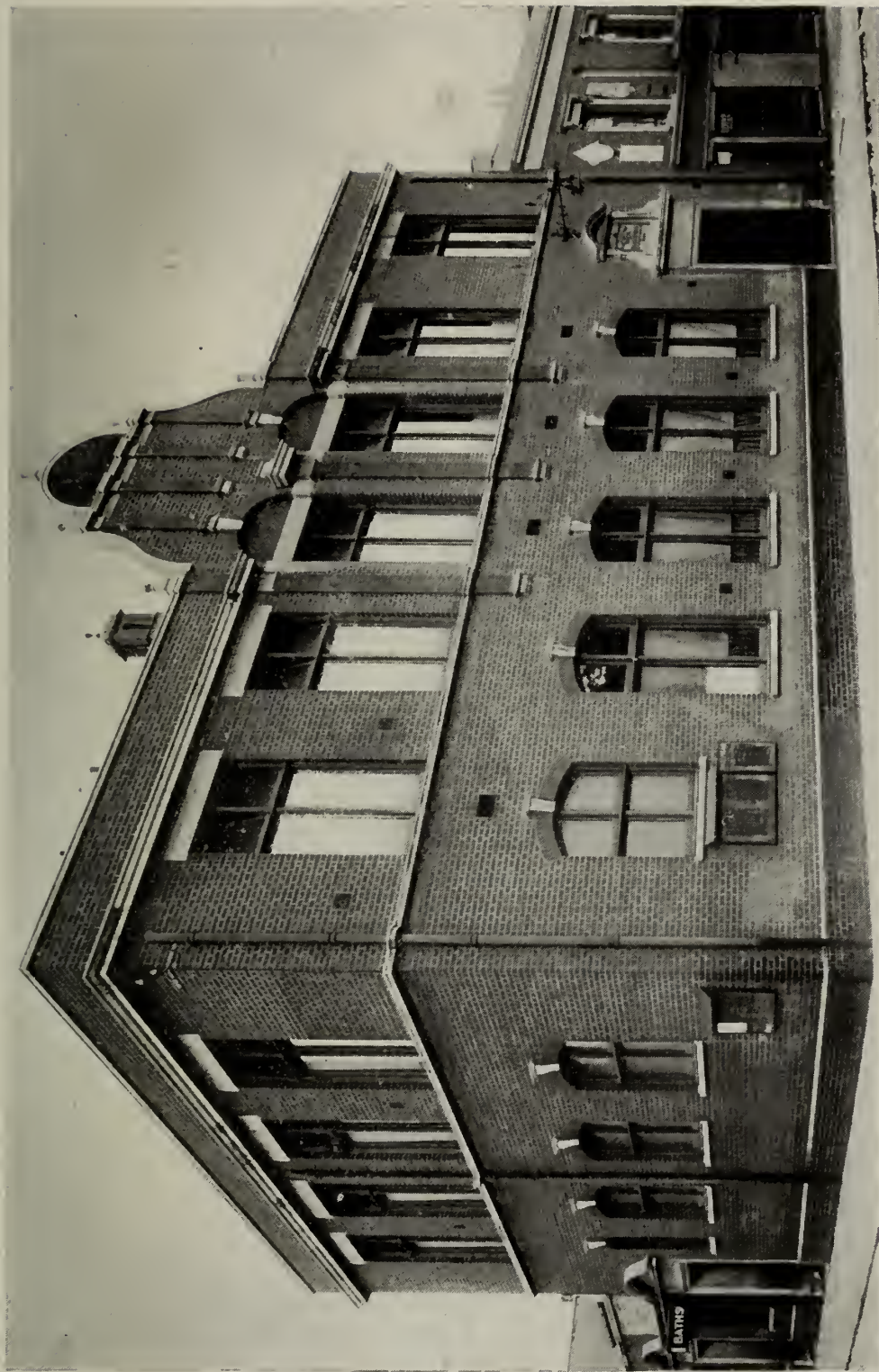
The Borough Council succeeded the Vestry as Library Authority,  
9th November, 1900.

Museum, Gymnasium, &c., Plough Road, opened, 29th September,  
1906.

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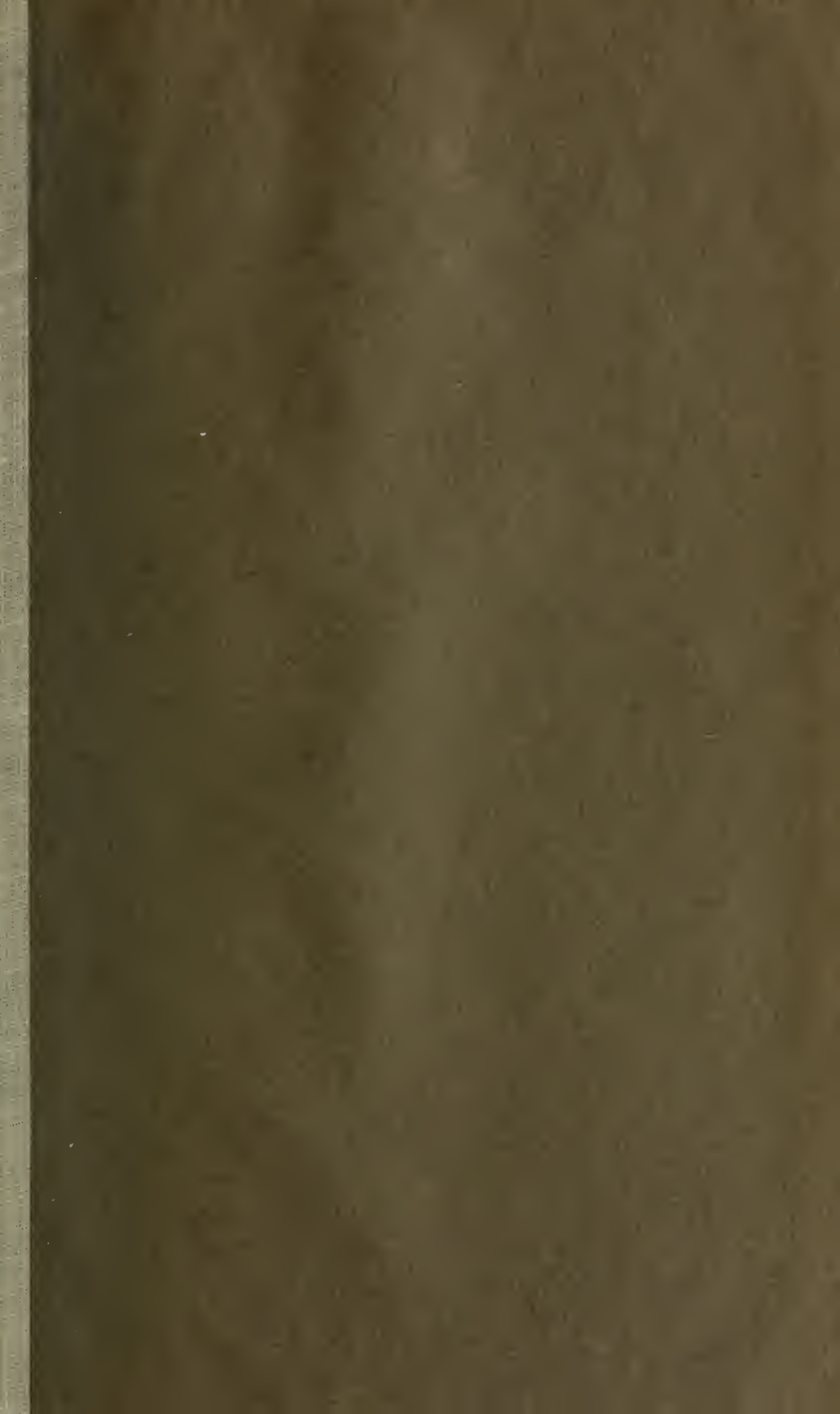
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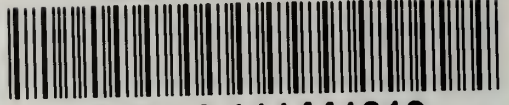








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